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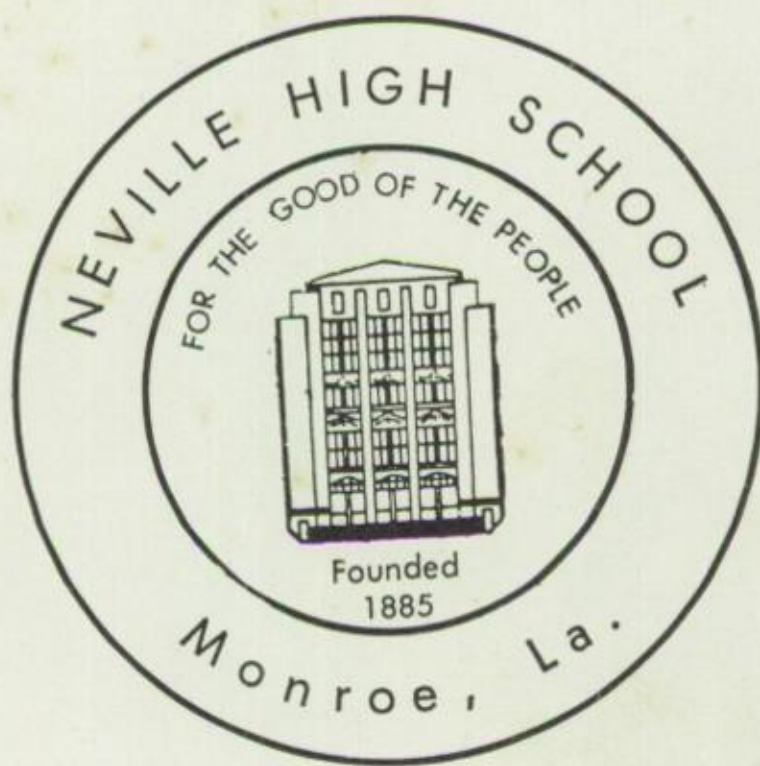






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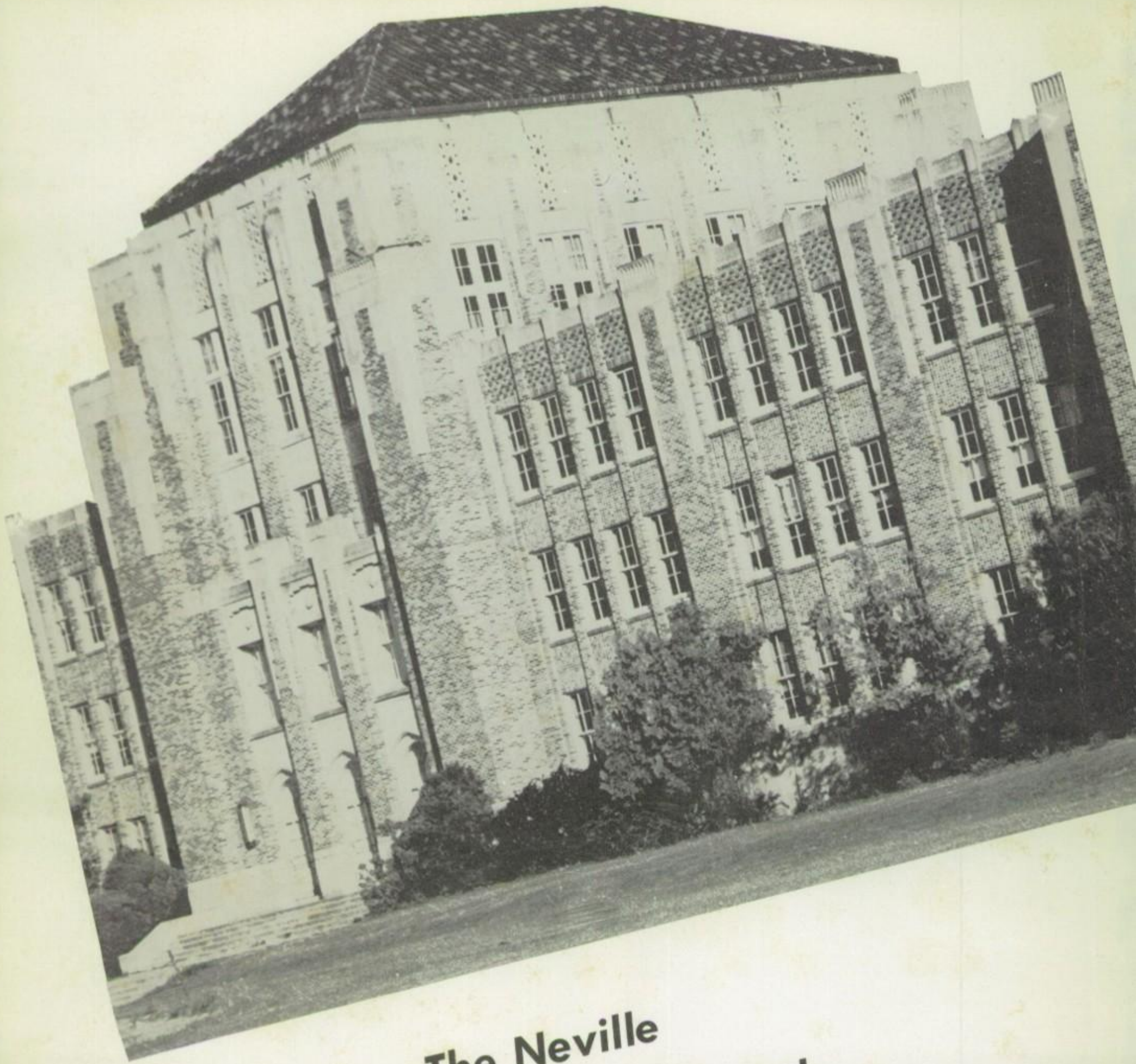
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**Volume XL:**

**Neville High School  
Monroe, Louisiana**





## **Mrs. Alfred Reid**

Mrs. Alf Reid began teaching in the Monroe City Schools in 1924 as an instructor of French at Monroe City High School. She sponsored the French Club and gained popularity with students with her Mardi Gras. She sponsored the student council for several years. She represented Neville and Louisiana at the National Student Council Convention during her sponsorship of the NHS organization.

The Monroyan salutes you, Mrs. Reid, upon your retirement and wishes you every success and happiness that life can offer. The yearbook hopes that your years to come will be the tranquil years, filled with only the very best.





## ***Miss Ruth Simmons***

Miss Ruth Simmons came to Neville High School in 1945 as an English and Latin teacher. Through her guidance the Latin Department has grown from 25 students to 150 students. She organized the Junior Classical League at Neville, and she has been active in state and national JCL work.

The Monroan also salutes you, Miss Simmons, upon your retirement and wishes you every success and happiness that life can offer. The yearbook hopes that your years to come will be the tranquil years, filled with only the very best.



# **The Monroyan**

## **The 150th Anniversary**

### **Schools in Monroe**

Monroe's first public school was established in 1811 under the charter of the University of Orleans, the apparent head of the public school system in the Territory of Orleans (Louisiana). The first directors of the school were Jean Francis Girod, Henry Bry, and Louis Lamy. The school was located on a plot of land three arpents (approximately 5/6 acre) of square 10 of the original plot of Fort Miro (Monroe before 1820). The land was bought from Mr. Girod for \$300.

The structure itself was a frame building of logs and it cost \$1,600 to construct. Two school masters or teachers were employed, one to teach in English: reading, arithmetic and writing, and the other to teach the same subjects in French. The instructors lived in the school building and were supported mainly from the \$1.50 per month tuition received from all students, except the first six which applied for admission. The first report that is handed down is one to the board of regents of the University of Orleans, dated October 1, 1811, written in French.

The small school closed, however, in 1816 due to the general depression in Louisiana which had begun in 1815. The school was in bad financial condition, for it was usually difficult for a school to exist in those days when good times prevailed, much less when





# **Commemorates of the Founding of Public — 1811-1961**

a depression was at hand. The teachers usually were in bad financial condition because of the low wages paid to them in those days.

In 1920 the first charter of the Town of Monroe provided for public schools, but since all records from those days are now lost or destroyed, nothing is known of the operation of these town (city) schools. However, if they existed at all, they probably were dissolved in 1828 when the Ouachita Parish Schools were founded, under an act of the Louisiana State Legislature on March 14, 1927, establishing public schools in each parish of the state. At that time Ouachita Parish occupied a greater part of Northeast Louisiana.

Thus, the first public school in the state was born in 1811, died in 1816, and eventually new school systems took its place during the century and a half that followed.

Today, two modern, progressive school systems exist in Monroe and Ouachita Parish which are a tribute to the many years of public school pioneering in this area. Truly, this first public school of 1811 marked the early foundation of the Monroe City School System which was first chartered in 1820, and it also had its effects on the later Ouachita Parish School Society (system) of 1928.





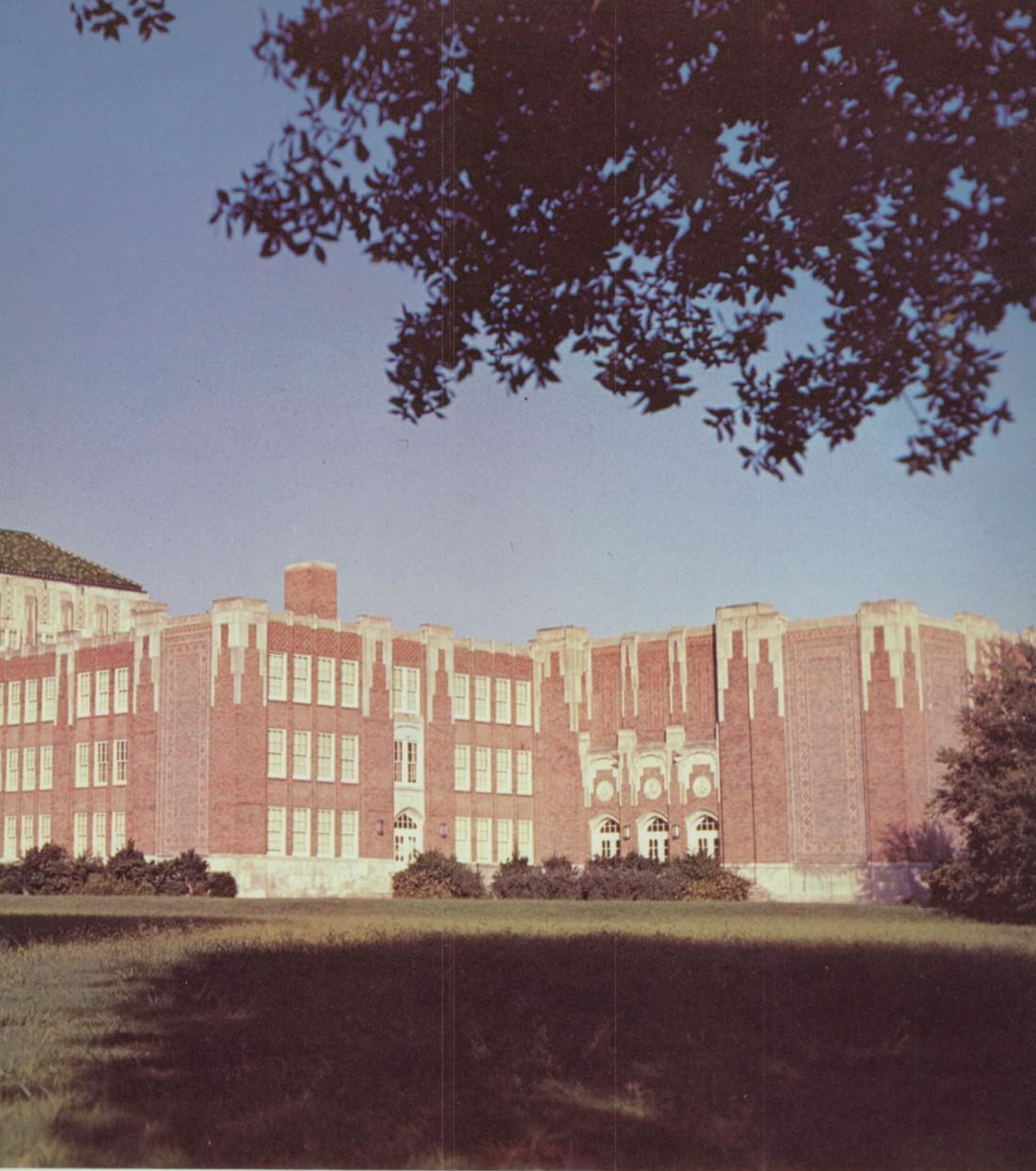
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**Neville  
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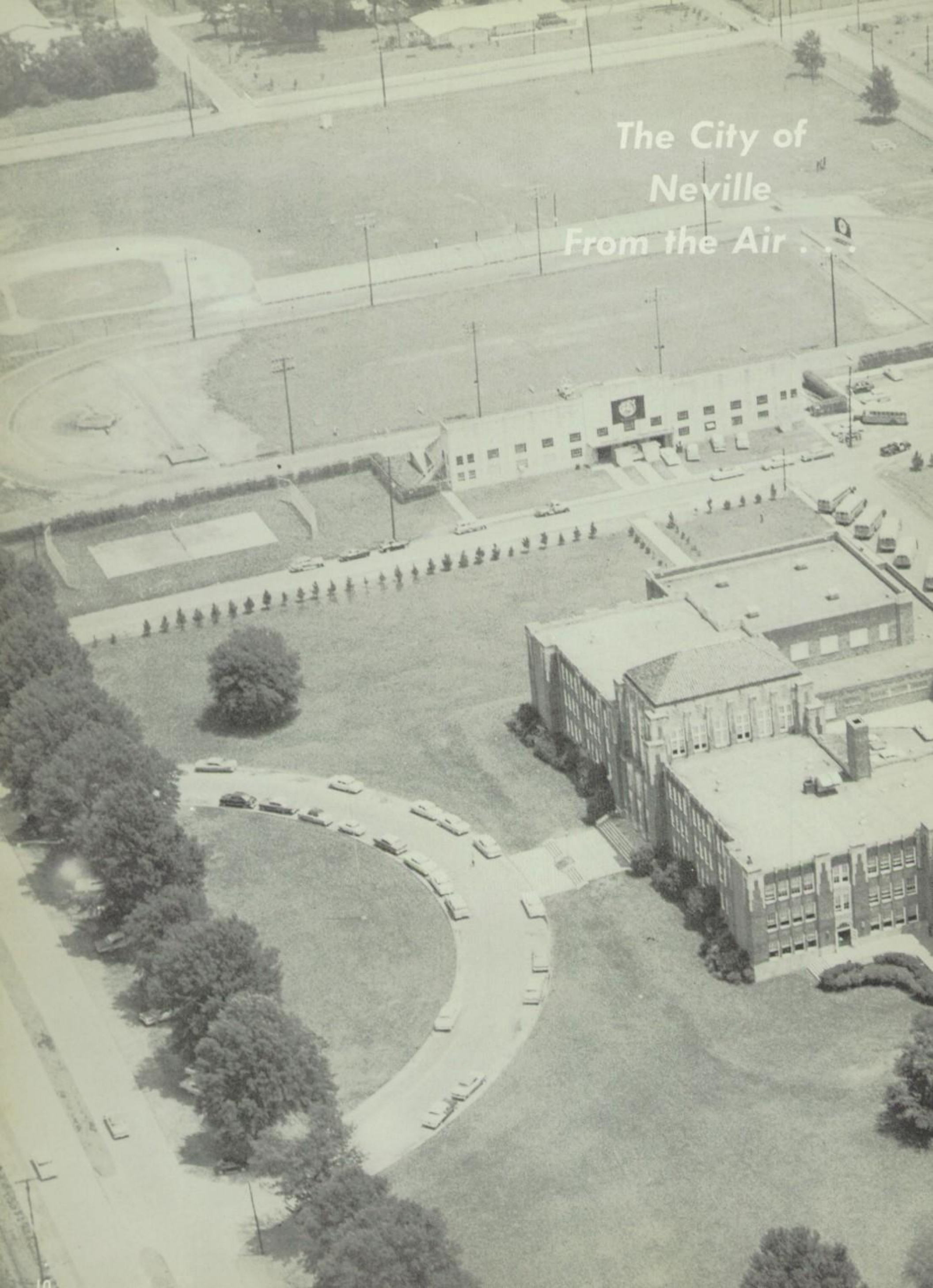




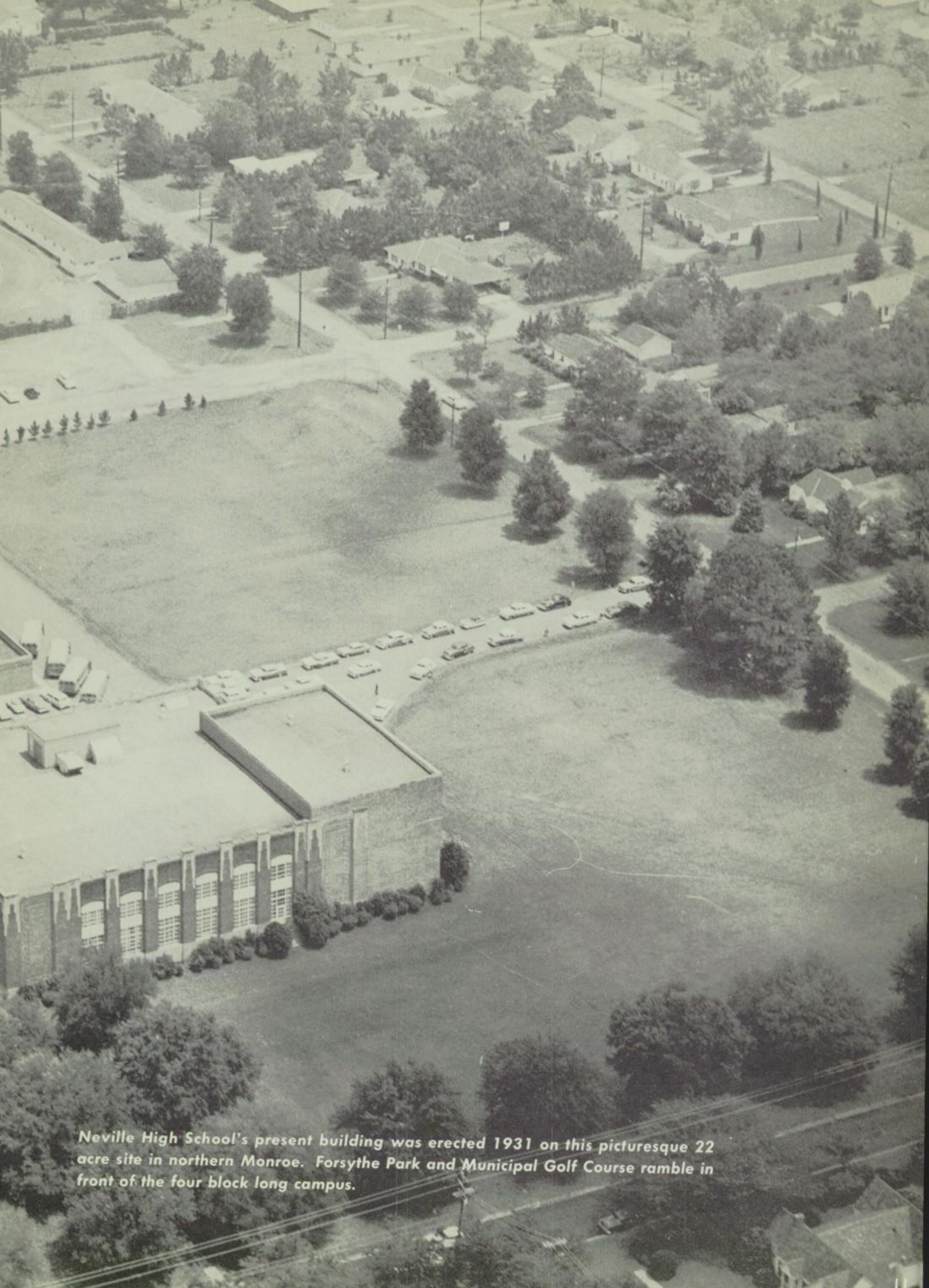
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*The City of  
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From the Air . . .*



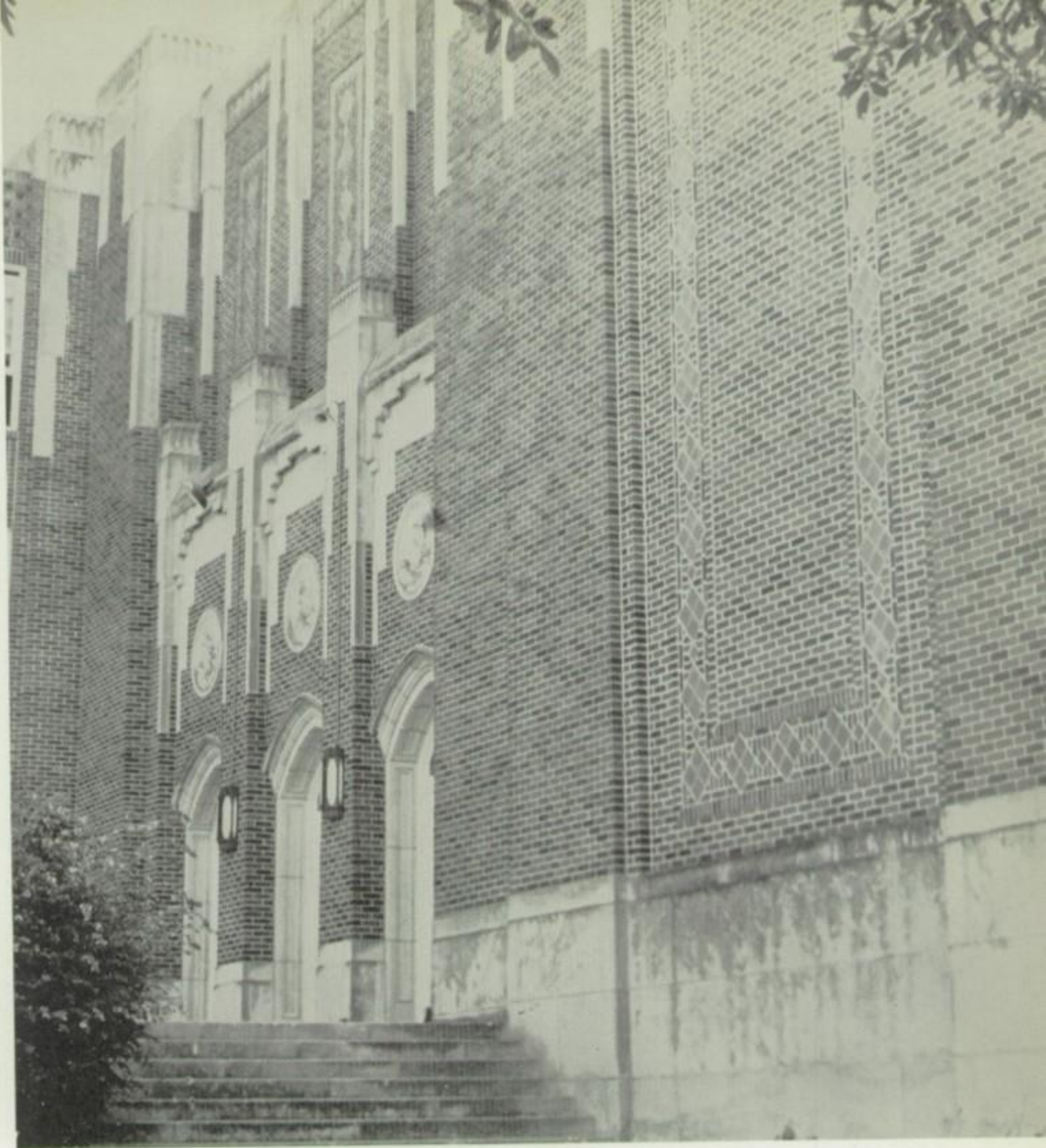




*Neville High School's present building was erected 1931 on this picturesque 22 acre site in northern Monroe. Forsythe Park and Municipal Golf Course ramble in front of the four block long campus.*

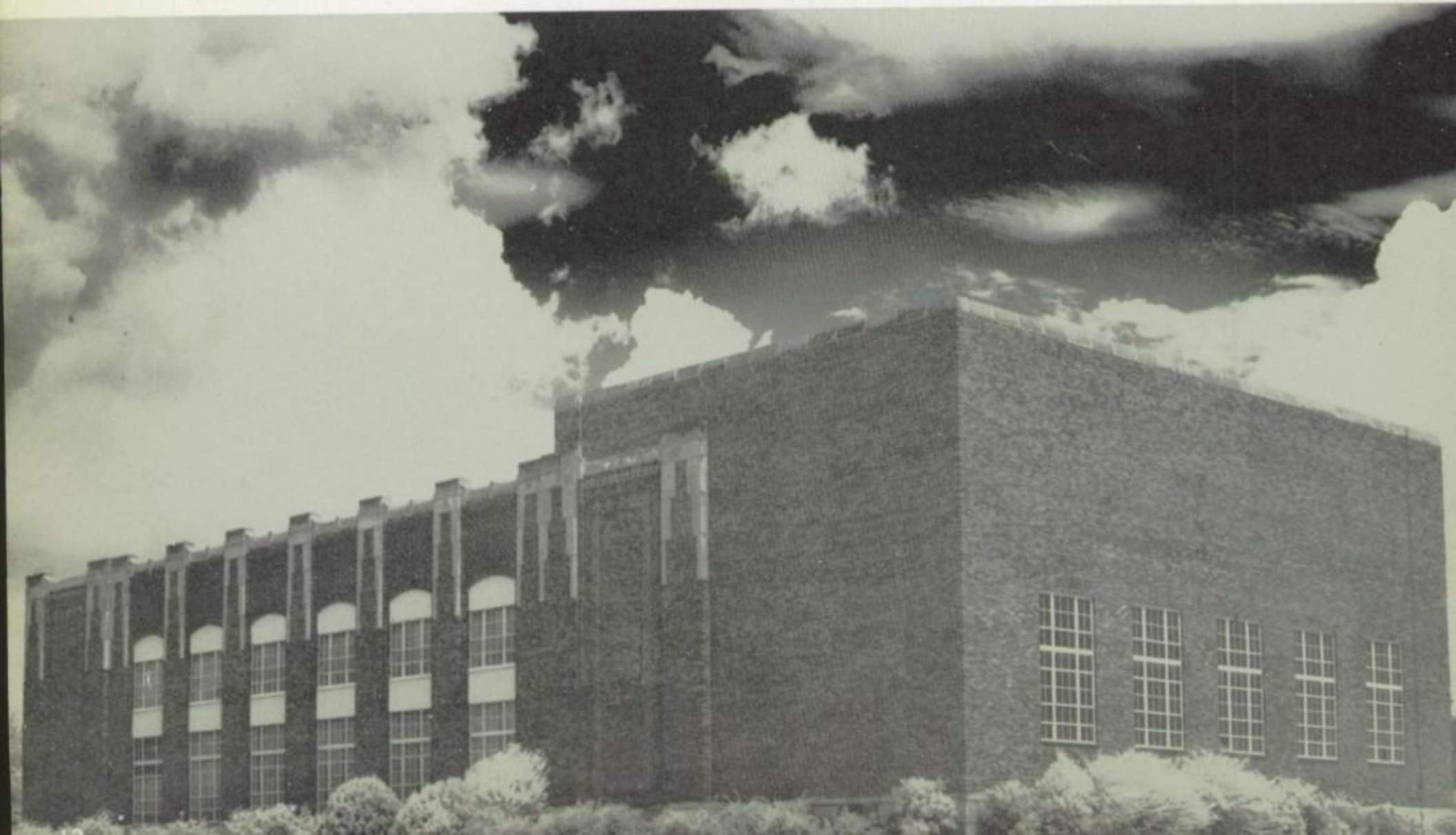


**The**  
**Auditorium**  
**Erected 1931**



**Front View**

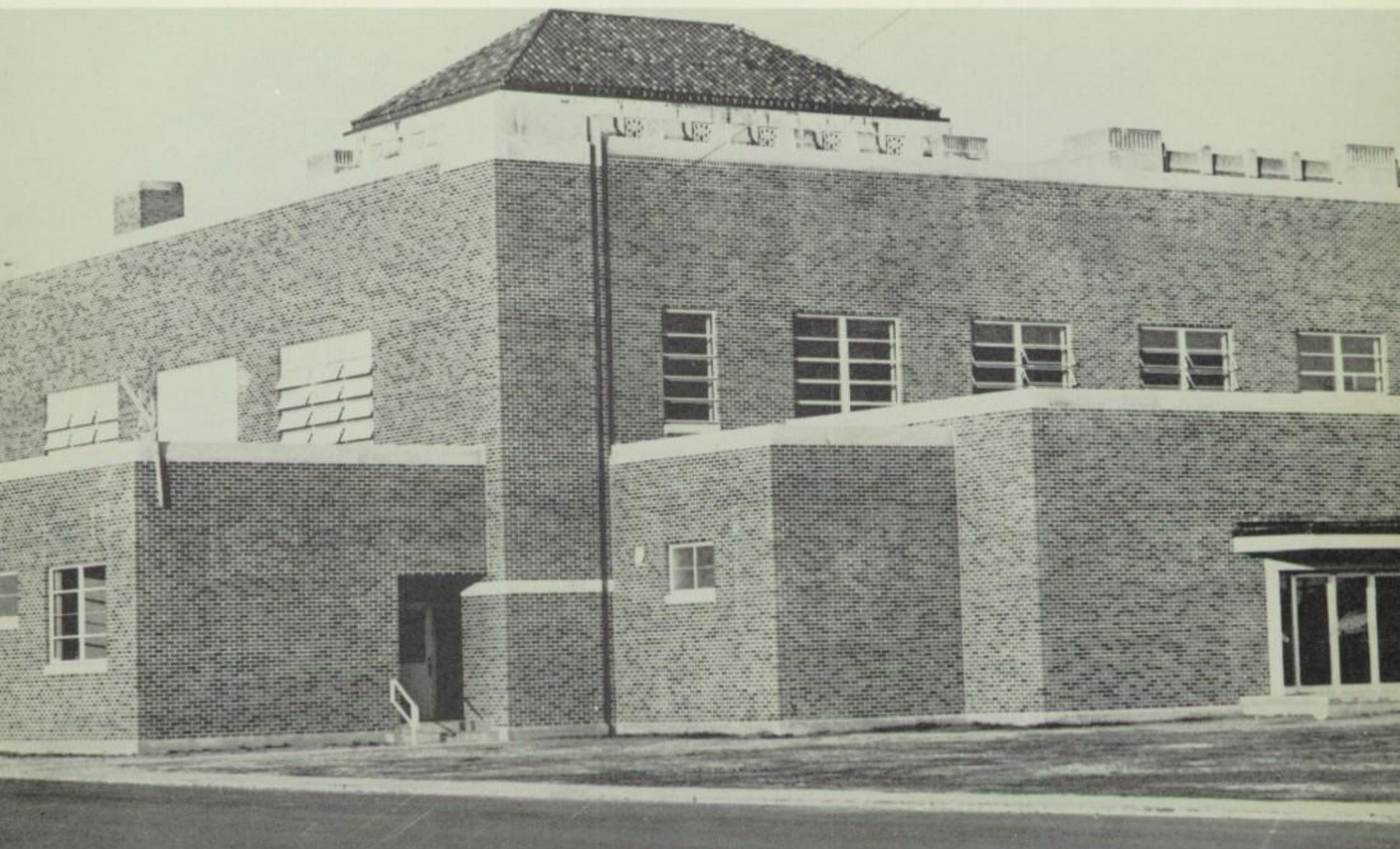
**Side View**





# ***The Gymnasium***

***Erected 1953***



# ***The Stadium***

***Erected 1940***





# Foreword

Monroyan has served as the name of the Neville High School yearbook since 1932; prior to that time the name was Squeedunk, beginning in 1922 at Monroe City High School. The book was founded by Mr. William Wunsch, a Neville alumnus and teacher; he also founded the Neville Sizzler, the school newspaper.

Last year was the first time in over two decades that an anniversary edition of the Monroyan was published, including a school history. This year there is a historical section in the yearbook, containing a history of the City of Monroe and the Monroe City Schools. In the introductory section, a history of the first public schools in Monroe and Ouachita Parish is also contained.

The Monroyan staff and sponsor have endeavored to produce a yearbook that will not only be enjoyed by the subscribers and those countless others who view the book, but will be a credit to the school and the City of Monroe as well.

# Acknowledgments

It would be impossible to mention all of the people who helped make this yearbook possible. Foremost are the staff members, along with their sponsor, who have received recognition elsewhere. The teachers and student body contributed immensely to the Monroyan's success. The advertisers contributed their financial support which helped make this book possible. School Pictures, Incorporated, of Metairie, Louisiana, aided greatly, along with the printer, Taylor Publishing Company, and Fred Elsing, representative. The staff could not have functioned without the aid of Mrs. Dorothy Hodge, school secretary; Mr. Sidney Seegers, principal; the homeroom teachers; the guidance counselor, Miss Karhryn Douciere; KNOE-TV and E. Lionel Pavlo for donation of pictures; Danna's Studio for their help in the photographic phase of the yearbook, the Monroe Chamber of Commerce for permission to solicit advertising. Thanks should go to all those other individuals who helped in any way to make the 1961 Monroyan a success.

THE MONROYAN STAFF, 1961



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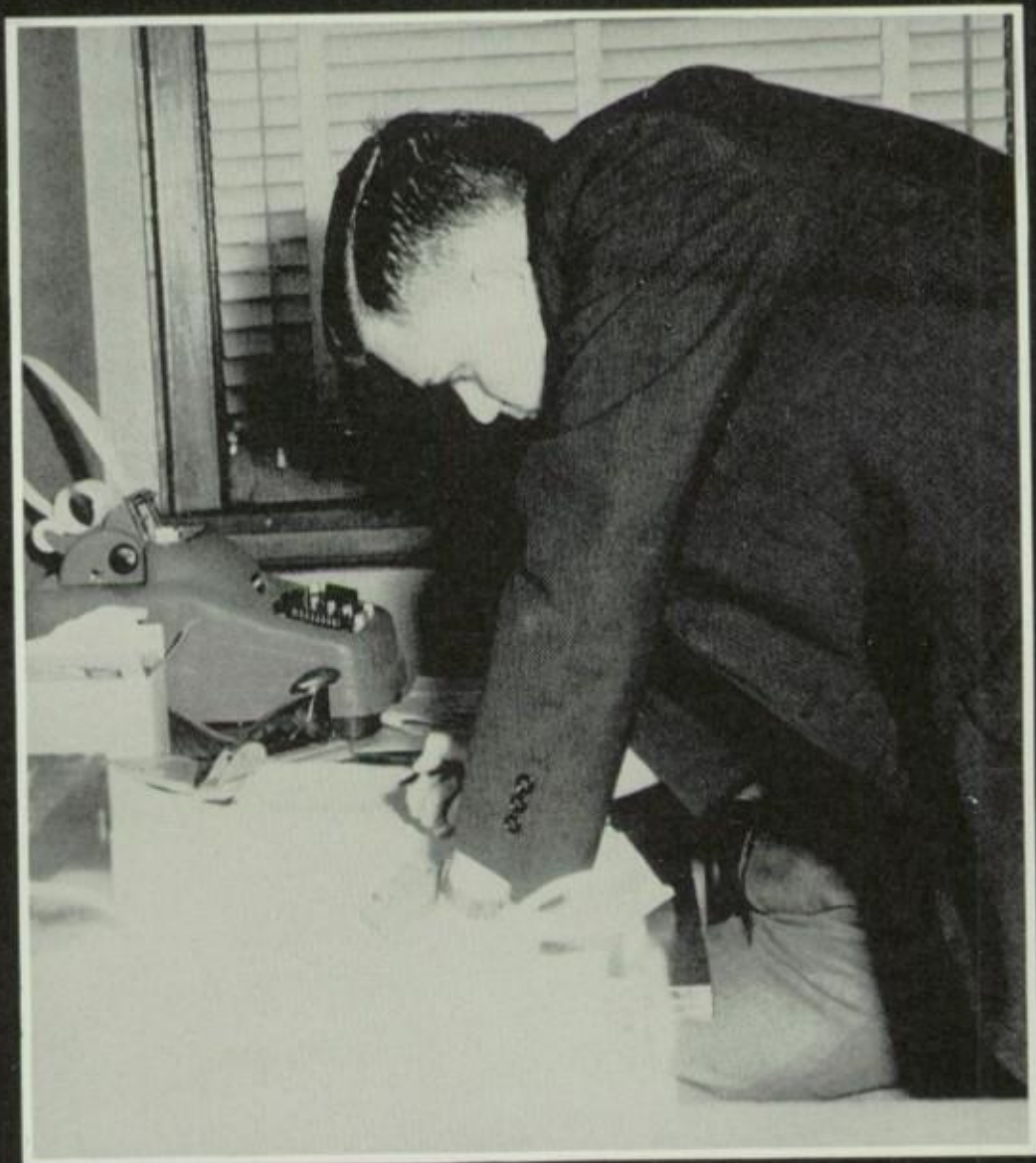
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## **Chapter I**



**Edited by Dolly Bassett and  
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**ADMINISTRATION — FACULTY — STAFF**



# **Monroe City School Board Members**



SEATED, from left to right: Frank Breese, Grayson Guthrie, Eddie Whetstone, and standing from left to right: J. H. Scogin, William Gannaway.

## **The Governing Body of the Great Monroe City Schools**



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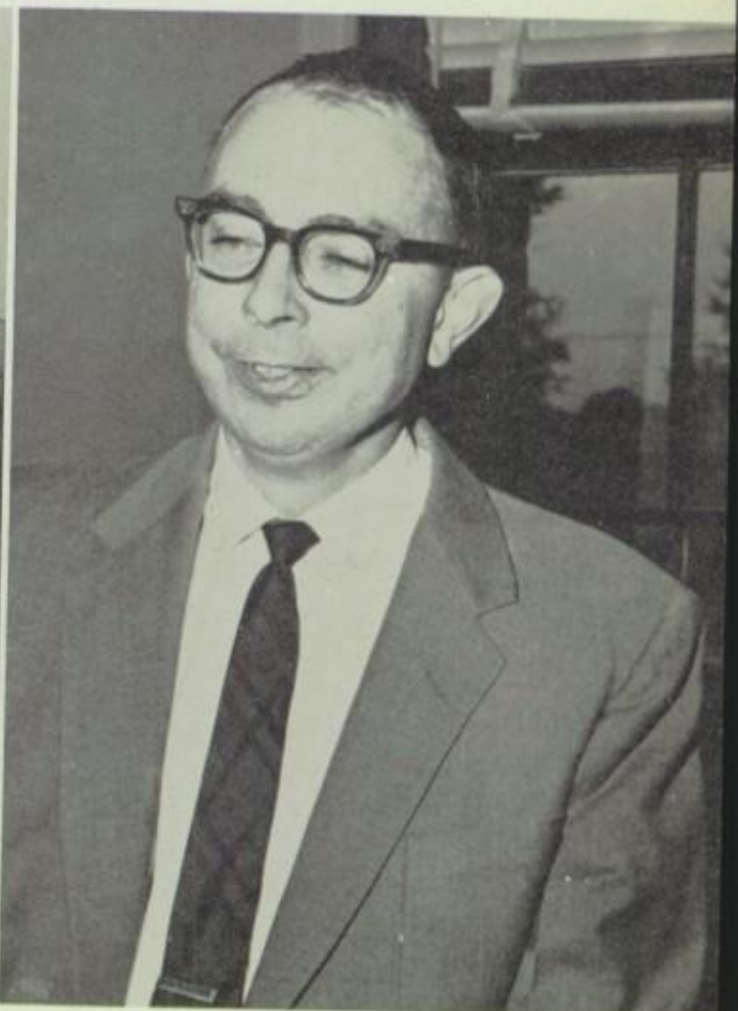
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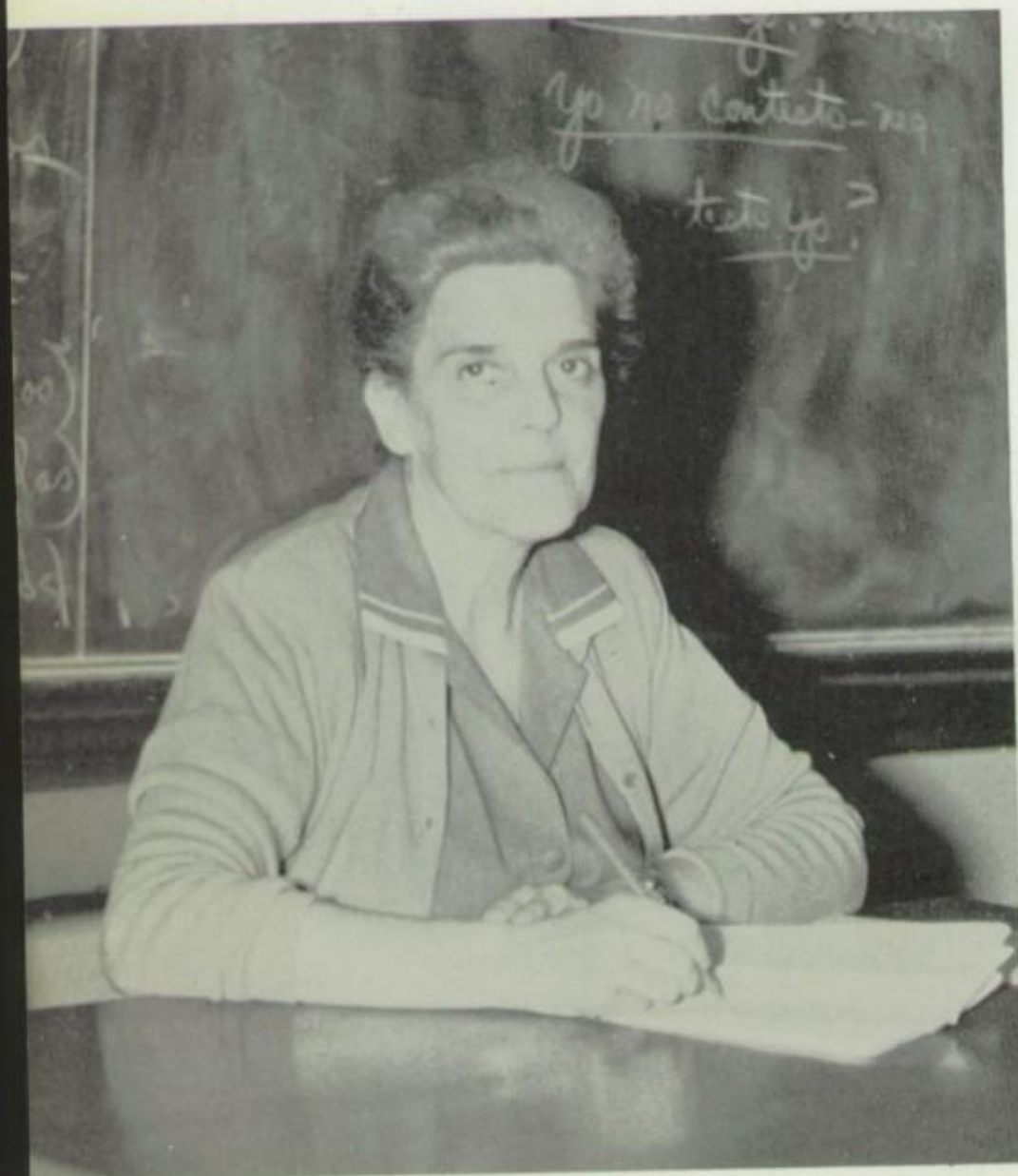




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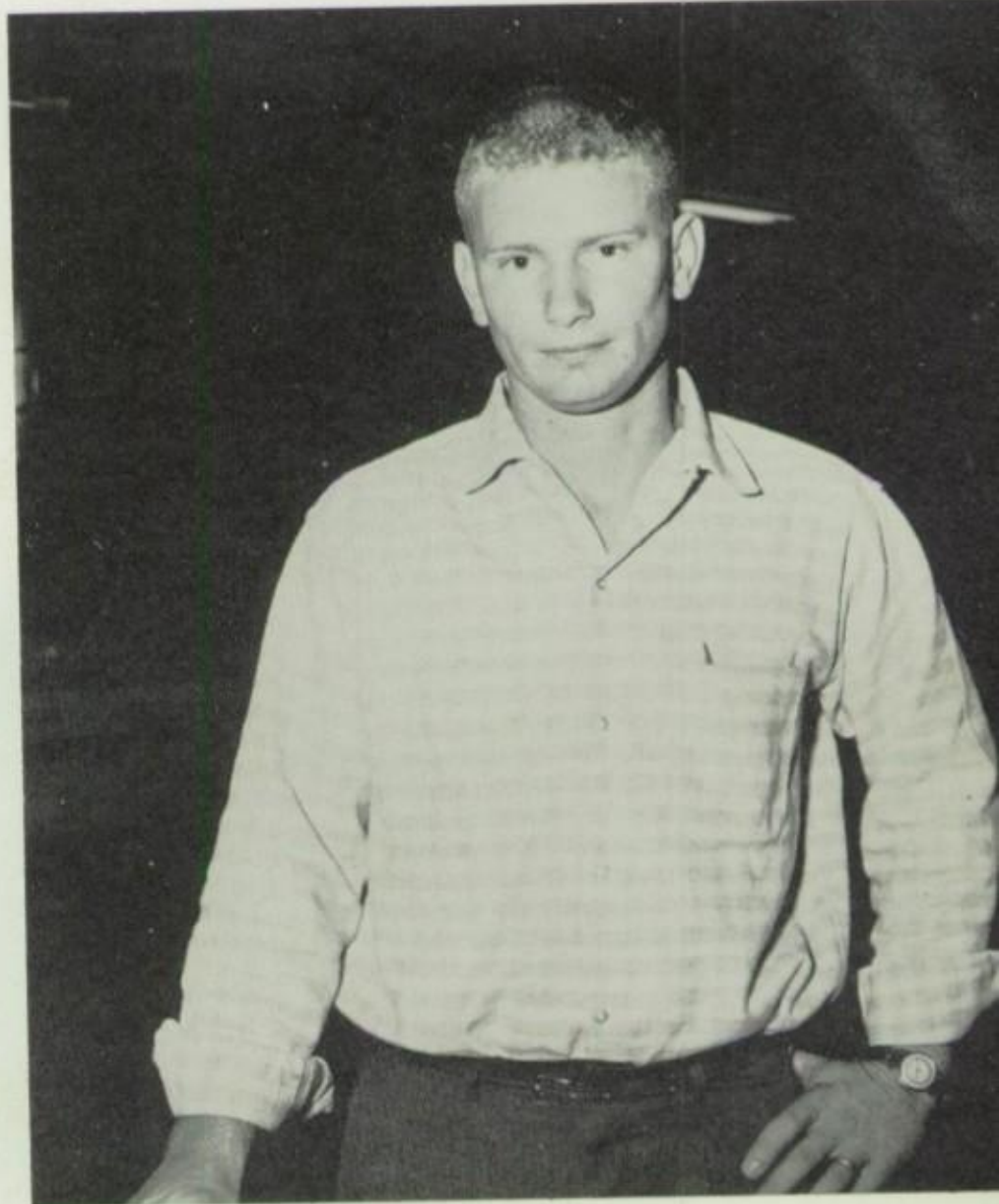
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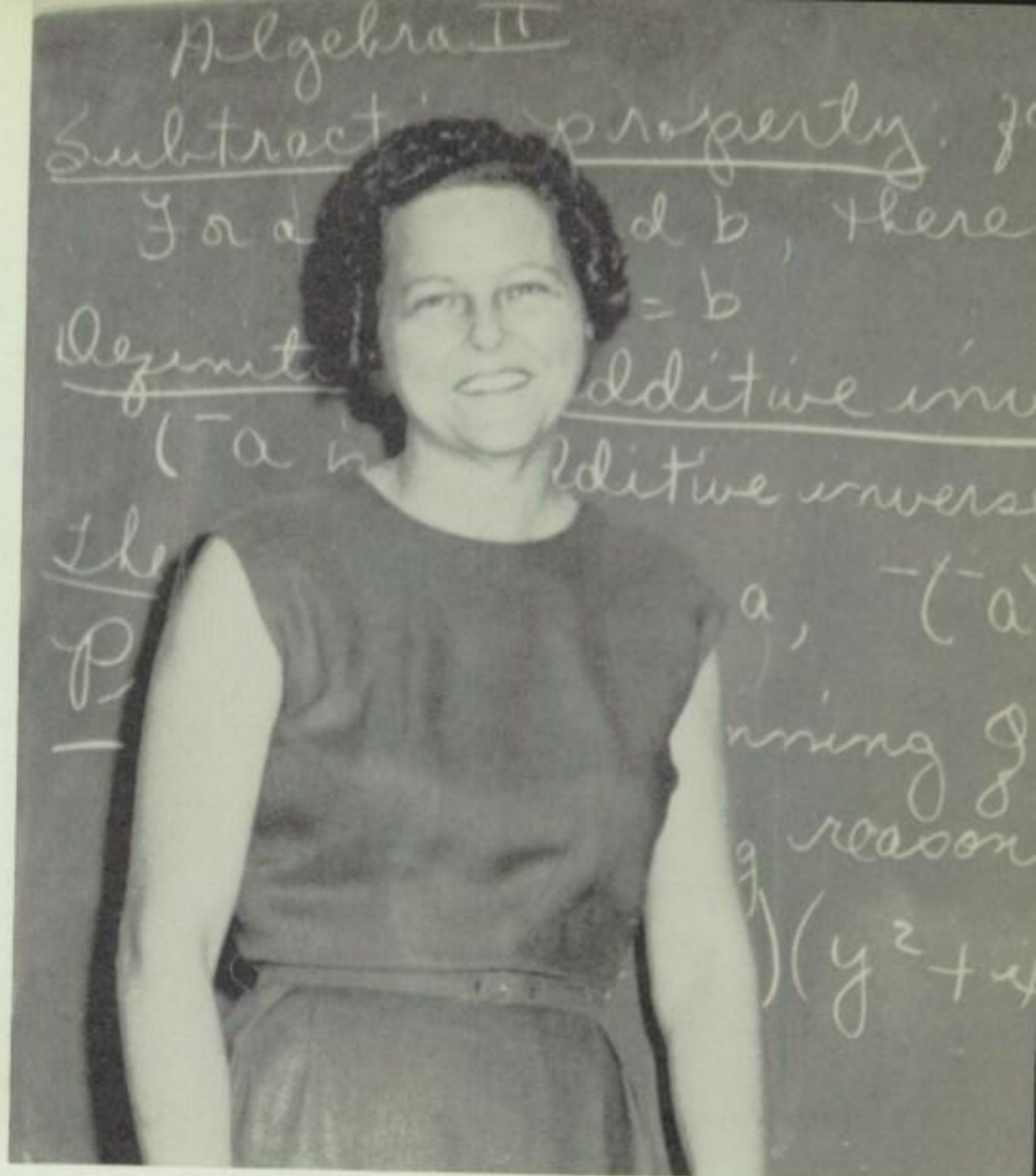


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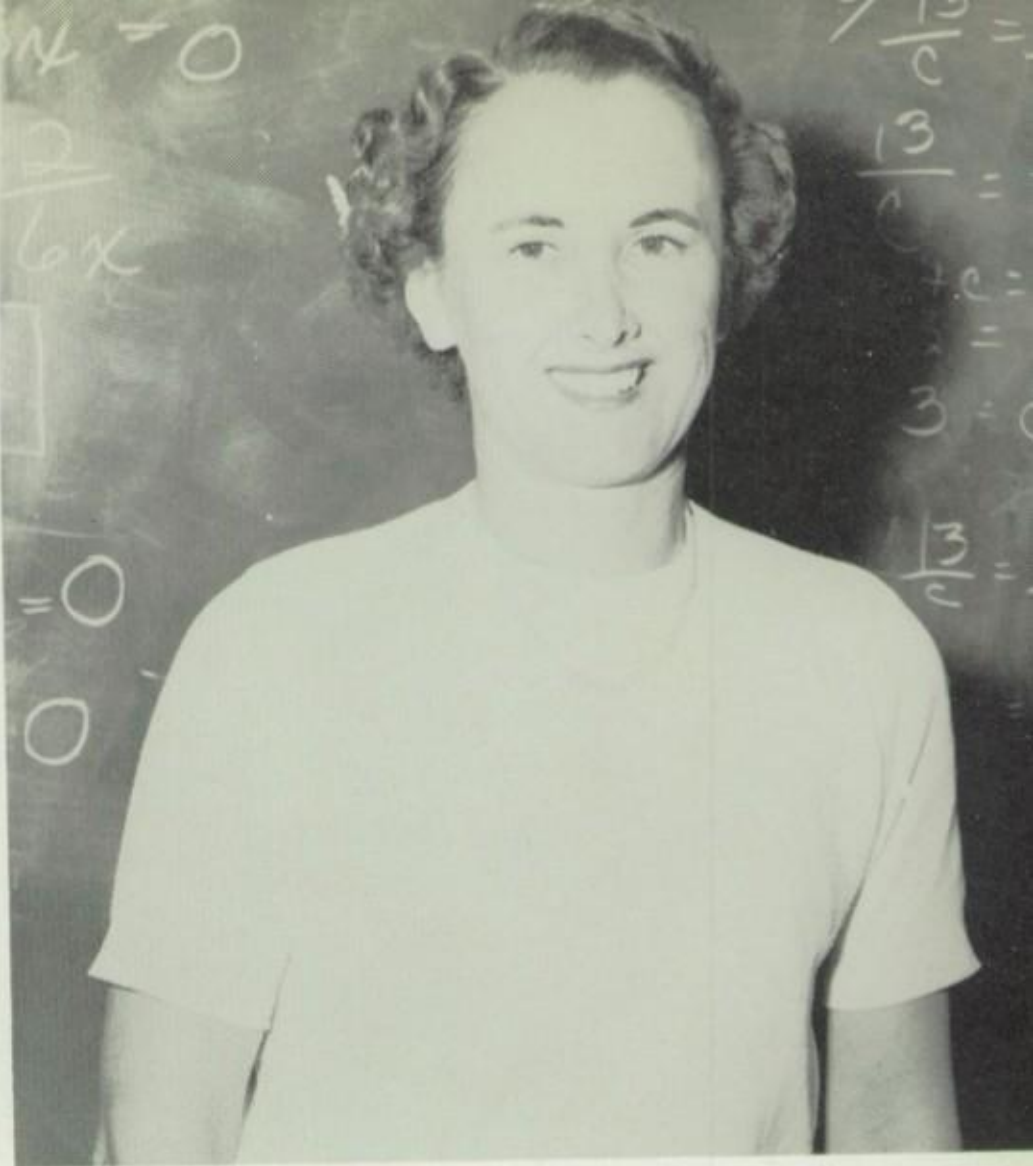


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## About The Faculty

Neville High School has always boasted of having an outstanding faculty. The teachers are all certified by the Louisiana State Department of Education, and all have college degrees; many have graduate degrees either in education or academic work.

The two faculty members who retire this year, Mrs. Alf Reid and Miss Ruth Simmons, are indicative of the many faculty members who have labored long, hard years for the good of the students, for the good of the city, and for the good of the school.





MRS. DOROTHY HODGE  
School Secretary



MR. ELBERT JONES  
Director of Maintenance



MRS. ADELL WORLEY  
Cafeteria Manager

## ***The Staff***

Compared to the faculty, the staff at Neville is small. However, these three individuals contribute immensely to the welfare and operation of Neville High School.

Mrs. Dorothy Hodge has been school secretary at Neville for nearly three decades and has worked diligently during those years in various office capacities in the school.

Mr. Elbert Jones has served as director of maintenance over a half decade and has kept the school in excellent operating condition during this time; a number of other employees serve his department.

Mrs. Adell Worley came to Neville at the beginning of this school year as cafeteria manager; already her work has proved outstanding in many phases. She, too, is another outstanding member of the Neville Staff.



## Chapter II



**Edited by Courtland Gray**





## **GENERAL ACTIVITIES**



# ACADEMIC AND VOCATIONAL ENGLISH

Original Academic Subject Established 1885

Four years of English are offered at Neville, three of which are required. For this reason, the English Department reaches the entire student body, and does its best to offer a varied and constructive program.

Class procedures vary according to the needs of the students, but in general, the year's work centers itself around the language arts, reading, writing, speaking and listening. Here at Neville, English teachers are particularly conscious of the student's need to express himself coherently and forcefully, therefore particular emphasis is placed on writing. However, the goal of the department is to send Neville students out from a high school career, able to think constructively, speak those thoughts in a forceful and coherent fashion, and if the need arises write about them.

The Neville English student who enters college usually has a relatively easy time mastering college English, this, of course, is attributed to the excellent English foundation received at Neville.



## FRENCH AND SPANISH

Original Academic Subject Established 1885 (French)

French and Spanish (Latin is discussed elsewhere in this chapter.) constitute two of the three foreign languages taught at Neville. They enable students who desire to study a modern foreign language to acquire considerable skill in grammar, reading, writing and speaking.

French is being taught this year in the school's recently acquired language laboratory. Students learn basic conversational French by listening to tapes played from a master console to individual listening booths in room 238. A language lab is a rare sight among Louisiana high schools; Neville is truly a pioneer in this field in the state. Students using the lab are given the most modern, scientific method of learning a foreign language in use today. Virtually any foreign language which has been specially prepared on tape can be used in a language lab. The pictures are of Frosh students using the laboratory.



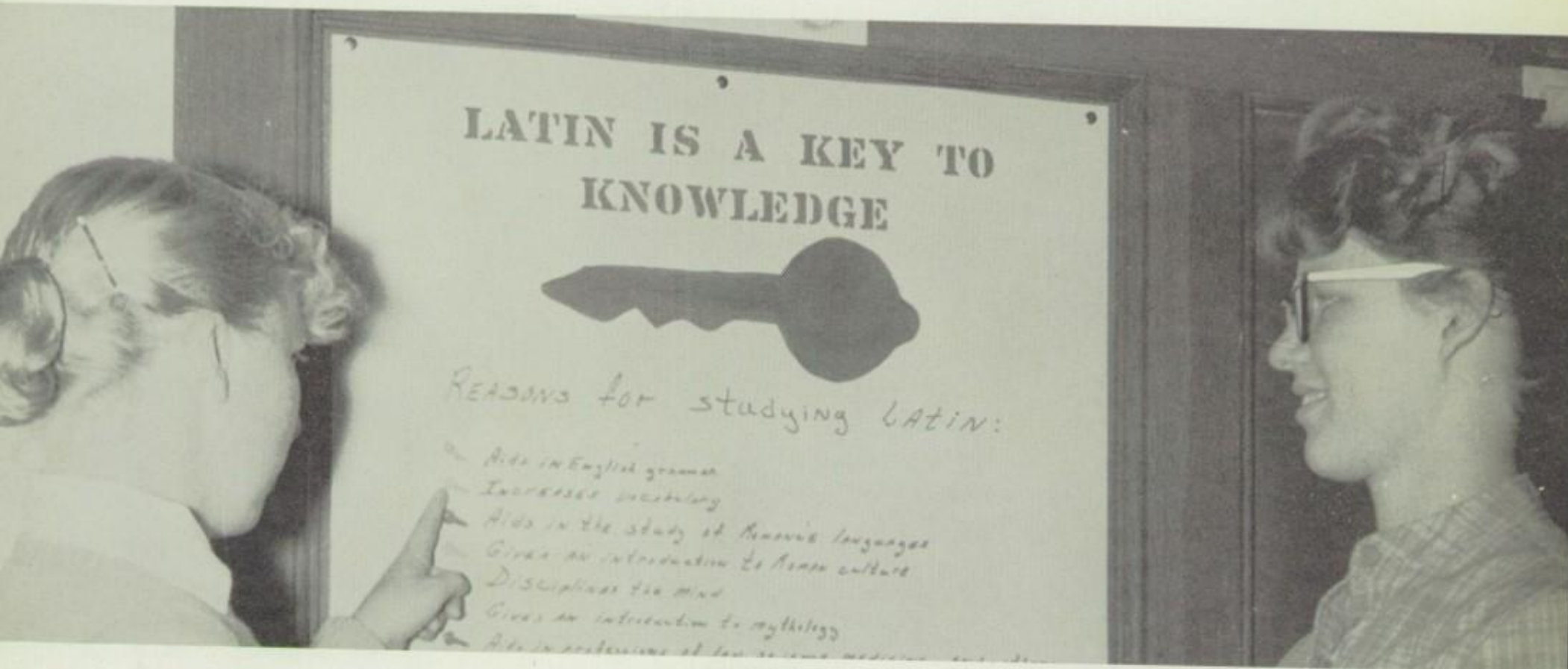


# LATIN

Original Academic Subject Established 1885

Neville High School now offers four years of Latin, first and second years are basic courses offering experiences in vocabulary building, translation, grammatical forms and principles and derivation. Good diction, correct sentence structure, variety of expression and other elements which improve one's spoken and written English are stressed. Attention is also given to the historical and cultural background of the Greco-Roman civilization, including an acquaintance with classical mythology through which allusions to such in English literature are clarified.

During the third and fourth years of the study of Latin, the students have an opportunity to sample real Latin literature. Cicero's *Orationes* and Vergil's *Aeneid* and selections from Ovid's *Metamorphoses*, as well as adaptations from Sallust, Pliny, Gellius and Petronius are read. The emphasis beyond the first two years shifts to appreciation, to a study and understanding of prosody, to organization of subject matter, and to those elements of Roman civilization which are important for a better understanding of our own history and culture.



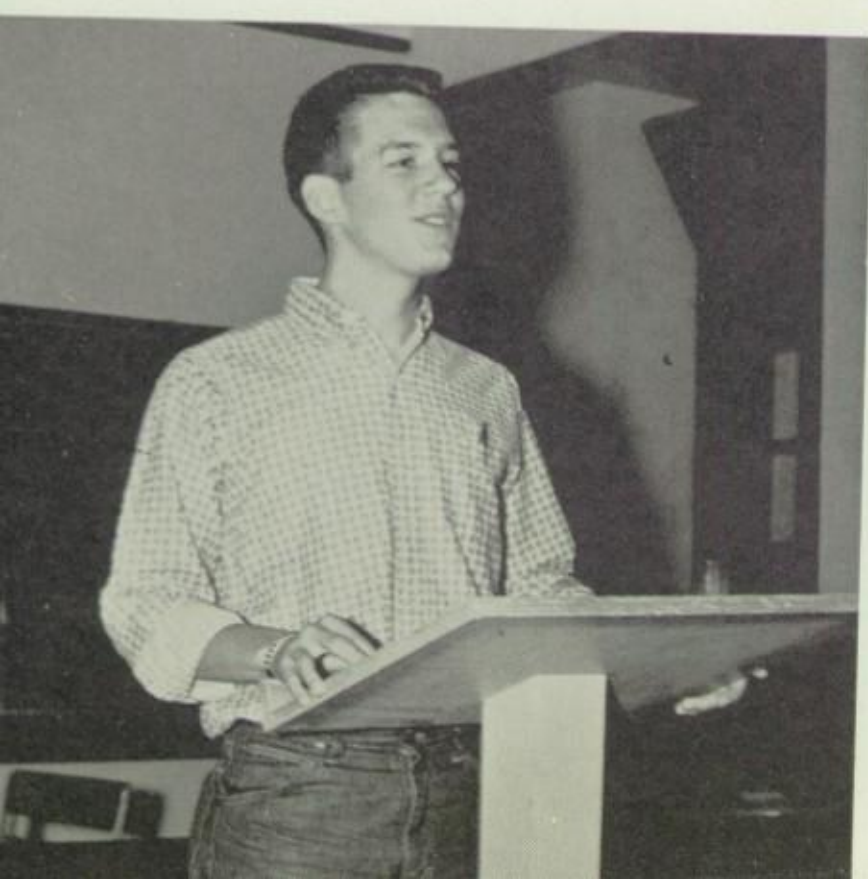
## SPEECH

Established 1949

Speech at Neville High School was reinstated last year after a lapse of two school years; however, it was not taught for three years, also, prior to the 1956-57 school session. It is believed that speech is on a firm foundation now with two years of study being offered. Speech II was initiated this past school year and had not been taught in ten years at Neville.

Speech I consists of general fundamentals such as phonetics, pronunciation, speech preparation, oral discussion, literary reading, drama and the like. Students learn to stand on their own two feet and speak correctly before an audience; they acquire a knowledge of expression of their thoughts, emotions and ideas.

Speech II is primarily concerned with debate and discussion, emphasizing the proper debate procedures, manner of gathering materials, preparation of briefs, formulation of material into organized debate topics and actual practice in formal debating.



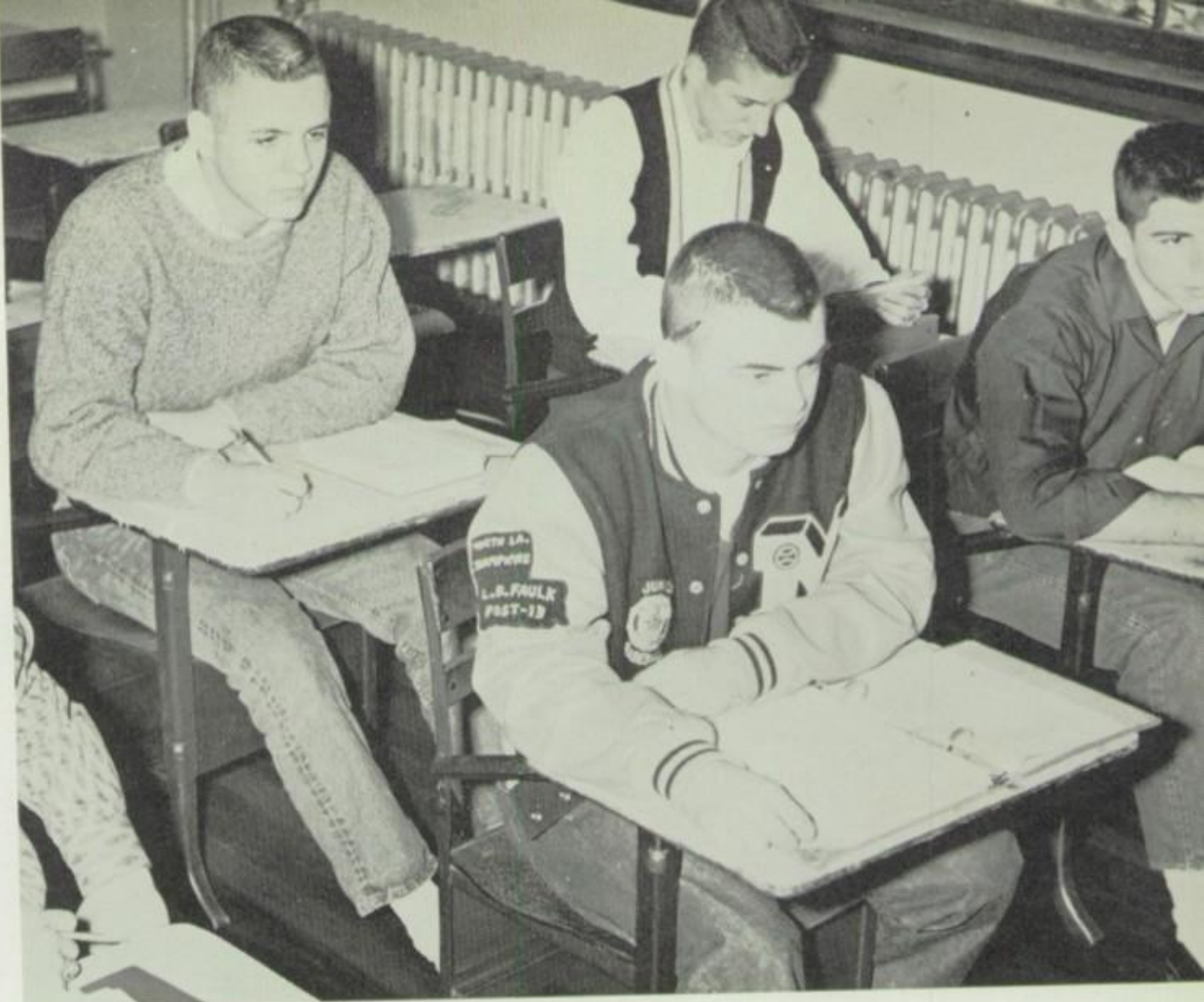


## JOURNALISM I

Established 1951

Journalism was reinstated as a part of the Neville curriculum last year after an absence of six years. It was first taught, academically in 1951 by Leon L. Marx. Journalism I was the only course of this field taught last year but this past school year witnessed the addition of Journalism II, the first and only course of its kind in Louisiana high schools today.

Journalism I attempts to teach the students the basic skills of newspaper writing, reporting, layout and composition, headline writing, journalism history, the vocational aspects of the subject and the status of journalism yesterday and today and what to expect of it in the future. Students in this course must have a good English background and, in general, possess an above-average knowledge about world affairs and other current events. Journalism I pupils learn to write general news stories, feature stories, editorials, sports stories, news-features and the like. They also have the opportunity to not only write headlines but actually compose them in type, using the facilities of the Neville Printing Shop. They also work with actual newspaper makeup, using the Neville Sizzler as a model laboratory instrument.



Journalism II, a vocational subject, is taught on an informal basis, utilizing the Neville Printing Shop-Publications Department facilities as the basis of operations. The students have the rare opportunity of actually working with professional printing equipment such as the A. B. Dick 360 Offset Duplicator printing press, the CMC hydrolic paper cutter, the paper jogging machine, the light composing tables, the Roberts vertical coping camera, the IBM Executive typewriter, the Coxhead DSJ (Vari-Typer) type-composing machine and the like. The Journalism II students are responsible for the actual printing of the Sizzler, various items printed for

Neville and the Monroe City School system and much of the work on the Monroyan and other school publications. As a rule, the students work many extra hours besides the required one hour per school day. This is done in order to meet deadlines and assure that pressing work will be completed on time. This year the course was more or less operated with the idea that it was on a trial basis; however, its success has proved overwhelming, far beyond previous expectations. Journalism II will again be taught next school year, possibly along with Journalism III, a proposed photo-journalism course under consideration.

## JOURNALISM II

Established 1960 as Vocational Journalism





# AMERICAN HISTORY

Original Academic Subject Established 1885

To take American History at Neville, which is a required course for graduation, one must be a junior or a senior. The students must write a term theme, book reviews and make oral reports as a partial fulfillment for the requirements of the course. For the 1960-61 school year, there are approximately 90 students taking the course. These pupils are examined by essay type tests, generally. The goals of this subject are to stress intelligent application of the great heritage of the illustrious American past.

American History covers the story of this nation from its earliest days to the present. It attempts to instill in every student a general knowledge of the history of America, plus an appreciation of the individuals who shaped its past, present, and in some cases, its future.



# WORLD HISTORY

World History is one of the core subjects of the comprehensive social studies program at Neville. It attempts to show the students taking the course how people in the past lived, worked, thought, fought, progressed, regressed and acted under various conditions. World History presents the story of mankind from the time of written records to the present era; it gives the student an insight into the reason why things happened as they did and why civilization is as it is today.

World History is a good general social studies course which has proved quite popular at Neville for many years. Usually, this elective course is taken by many students in order to acquire a high school major in social studies since civics and American History are required subjects, and with the addition of World History three units of social studies is completed; thus the major acquired.





# PROBLEMS OF AMERICAN DEMOCRACY

Established 1960

Problems of Democracy is a social studies course that was introduced to Neville High School this year. At the present time there are 17 people taking the course. The entire class subscribes to U.S. News and World Report, to keep in touch with current events.

The testing procedure in this class is the administration of essay type exams on "thought provoking" questions. The class, as a whole, emphasizes the problems of democracy which include such problems as Foreign Policy, Elections, Labor, the United Nations, Public Education, Public Transportation, Conservation, Money and Banking, Unemployment, Social Security and the like.

There are two requirements to be met by a student before he is allowed to take this new course; he must be a senior and must have passed American history. It is believed that seniors can most fully fulfill the goals of the class which are, to present realistic, comprehensive, and up-to-date analyses of major social, political and economic problems, which confront the American people today.



## BOOKKEEPING

Established 1900

There were 46 students enrolled in bookkeeping during the past school year at Neville. These pupils were taught to develop an understanding of the basic principles of accounting and to know the reason and effect of every transaction they recorded.

Bookkeeping is a basic foundation for future study in business administration and is open only to juniors and seniors at Neville. The course offers a fine background for students who intend to pursue this field in college, who plan to go directly into business or who plan to take a vocational business course.





## TYPING

Established 1900

Typing is a business vocational subject which has increased in popularity at Neville year by year. There are several reasons for so many students taking this course; one, of course, is the tremendous aid it gives to business students, and the other is the assistance it gives all college students since the latter are required to turn in so much work nowadays, typed.

The skill of typing is becoming more and more essential in daily life as general and business communication becomes more and more complex. It has been said that typing may one day replace most forms of handwritten communication; this may be a slight exaggeration, but, nevertheless, it does illustrate the tremendous value of this all-important subject, typing.



## GLEE CLUB

Original Scholastic Subject Established 1885

Glee Club at Neville provides an opportunity for all students who have a talent to sing an opportunity to exercise it. The elective course is classed in the vocational field among Neville subjects. Students in glee club are often featured in public performances and Neville assemblies. The members of course usually participate in regional and state music festivals and rallies and often win outstanding honors and awards.

Besides the glee club, the other phases of the Neville musical program are instrumental; the Neville bands are featured in the organizational section of the yearbook and pertinent information concerning them is given there. A new string instrument program was recently begun at Neville and has progressed satisfactorily. However, as of yet, no complete orchestra has been formed. This takes much time and must be formed only after a firm foundation has been established.

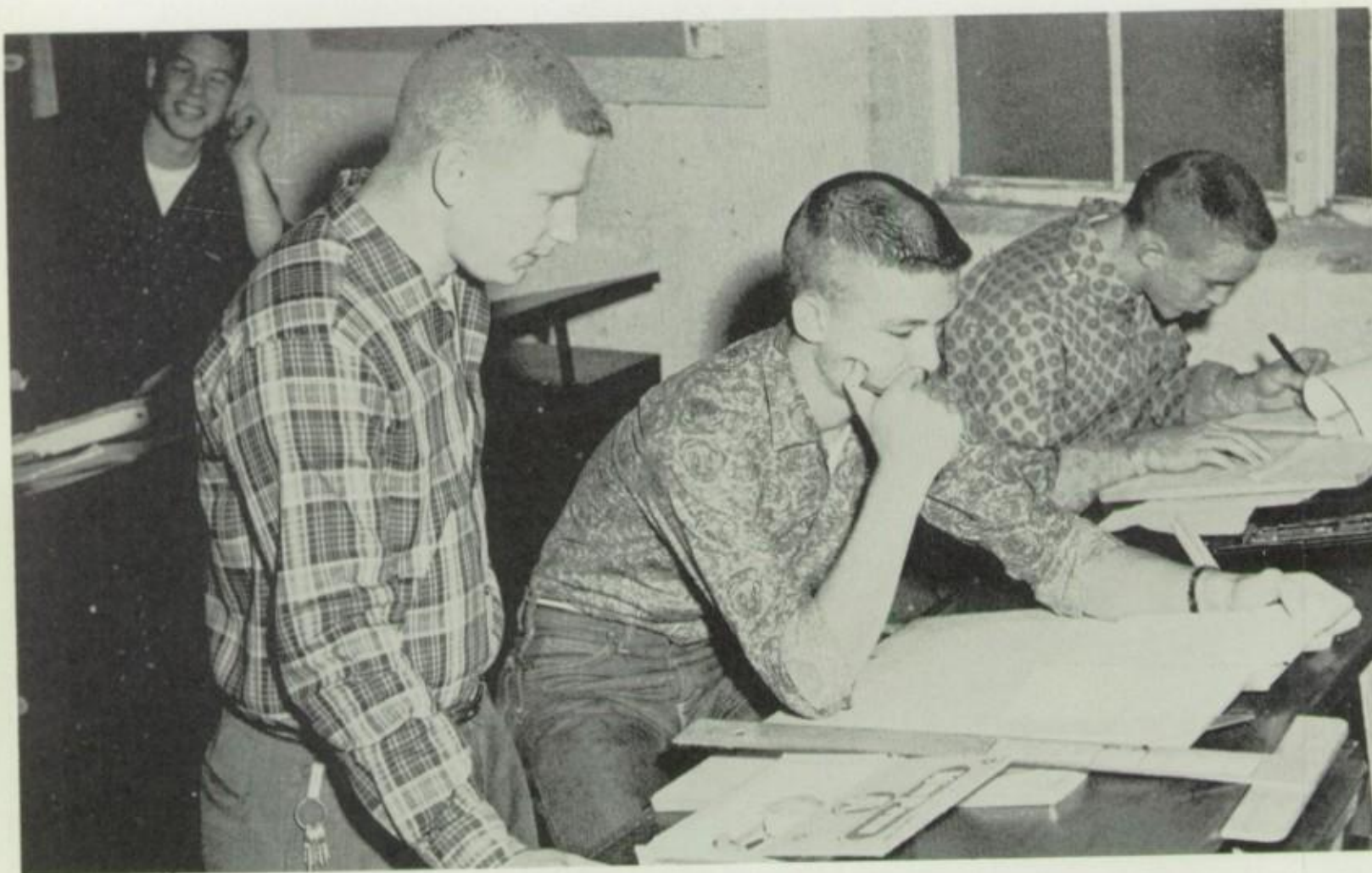




## MECHANICAL DRAWING

Mechanical drawing is the study of the graphic language used by engineers, draftsmen and designers in the industrial world. This course offers the students an opportunity to acquire a solid foundation in the drawing of solid objects, mechanical instruments, and general house plans. The tests are objective in nature, paralleling the structure of the course; the grading of drawings accounts for a portion of the students' grades.

This course, offered for many years here at Neville, aids students who intend to pursue engineering and architecture and other scientific fields.



## ART

Original Scholastic Subject, Established 1885

Art is an elective and is open to any student—talented or otherwise. At present there are 45 students taking the course. The value of art is experimentation, coordination, and originality.

The goal of the course is not necessarily to produce "artists," but rather to allow students the opportunity to experiment with different art media and seek a level of achievement to the best of his or her ability.

Various types of drawings, sketches, paintings, etc., become student projects throughout the year.





## WOODWORKING

Woodworking is a vocational subject that offers an opportunity to plan and make many interesting and worthwhile projects for the home and even the school. The students enrolled in this course have constructed many outstanding articles of furniture and decorative wooden objects in past years.

Part of the success of the students is, of course, due to their own ability and hand work, but the excellent machines and tools in the Neville shop should not be overlooked. However, these facilities would be virtually worthless if top-notch instruction were not available. The shop is an excellent addition to the Neville vocational studies facilities.



## CERAMICS

Established 1957

Ceramics is a course relatively new to the Neville vocational subjects but has proved to be quite popular among students in the short time it has existed. The course is offered to both boys and girls and is taught in the wood-working shop.

It attempts to give the students the opportunity to construct objects with their own hands such as pottery, primarily. The clay creations are carefully baked in a modern kiln, also located in the same work area of the woodworking shop.





# HOME ECONOMICS

Established 1916

All Home Economics courses are taken by girls at Neville with the exception of Family Living which has only several boys enrolled in the class. Home Ec, as the subject is commonly abbreviated, can be generally divided into these courses: family living, cooking and sewing.

Students are given the opportunity to learn the many phases of operating a home, its management, its decoration, its cleaning and the like. They are taught the latest methods of economy and conservation, plus general techniques of performing ordinary home tasks better. Various practical problems are discussed and solved along with practical laboratory work. Actually, lab work in the kitchen, dining room, living room and sewing room constitute a major part of the home ec courses.



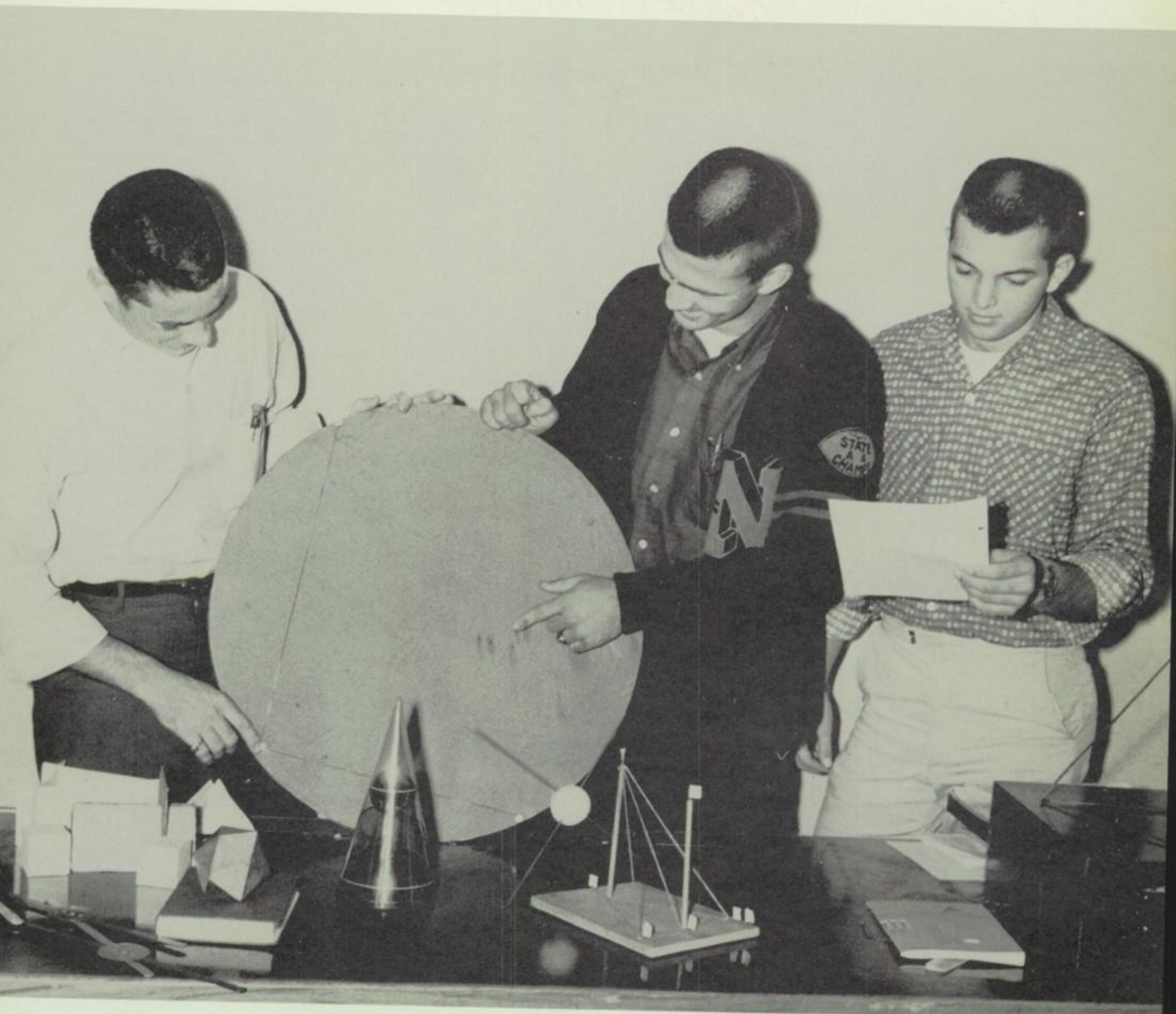
## COOKING





# MATHEMATICS

Original Academic Subject, Established 1885



Mathematics at Neville meets the needs of all the students at Neville since this field includes general and senior math, plane and solid geometry, algebra I and II, solid geometry, trigonometry and advanced mathematics.

Most students take algebra I, plane geometry and senior and/or general mathematics. However, students who desire advanced mathematics usually take algebra II, solid geometry, trigonometry, and the new course advanced mathematics.

Neville offers the student who intends to pursue such courses as engineering, architecture, chemistry, physics and other general scientific subjects every opportunity to fully prepare himself for college so far as his math requirements are concerned.

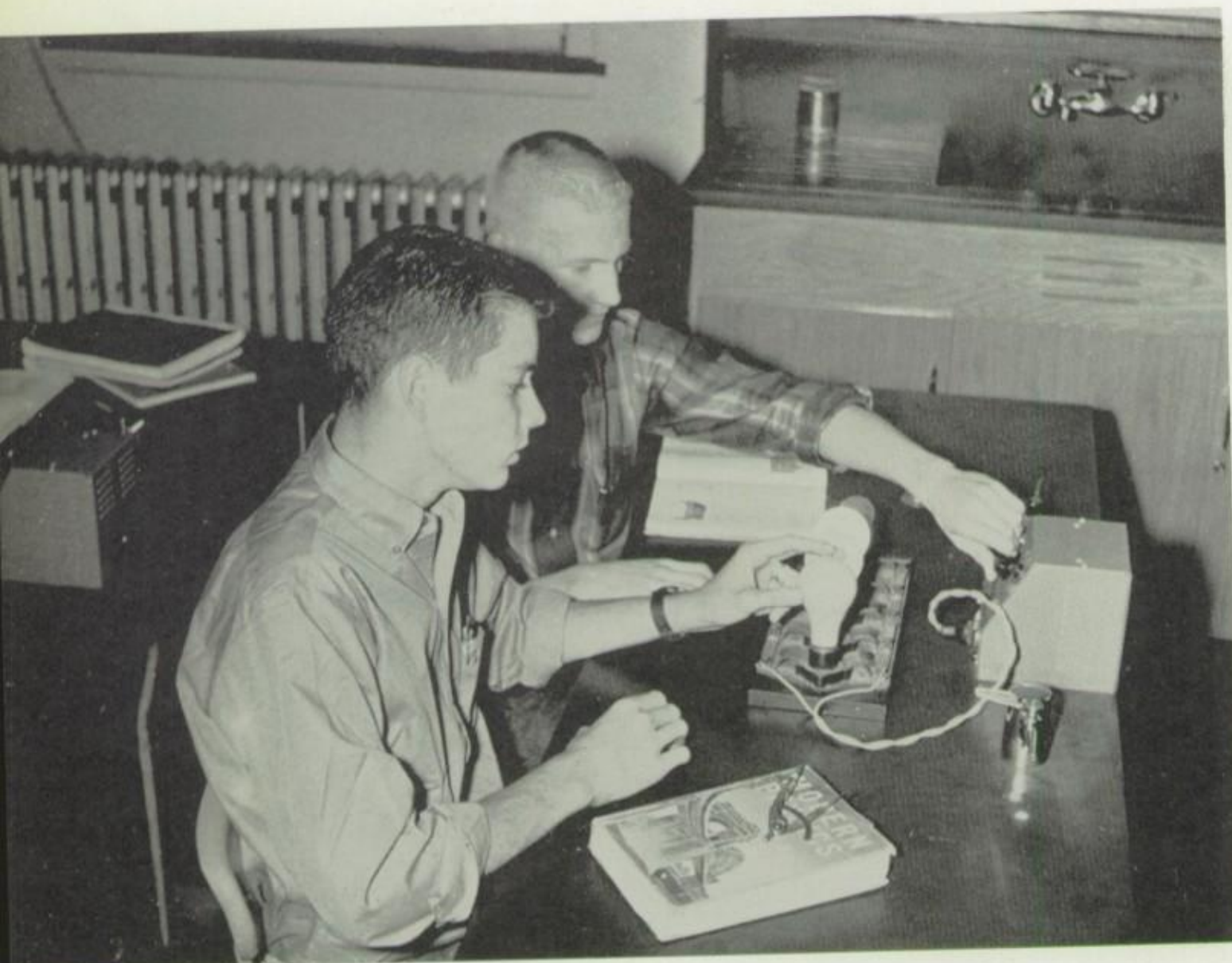
Advanced mathematics was offered for the first time this year with amazing success realized. The new course covered about three times as much advanced math as the ordinary good high school math class. It delved into deep phases of this field which, heretofore, was usually found only in college courses. Advanced math students are pictured on this page.



# THE SCIENCES

Original Academic Subjects, Established 1885

## ADVANCED PHYSICS



At the present time there are 28 students taking Advanced Physics at Neville, and are required to read library books for class discussions. Theory tests of essay-type are administered about twice a week throughout the course. Also, numerical problems are given with which the students use their slide rules.

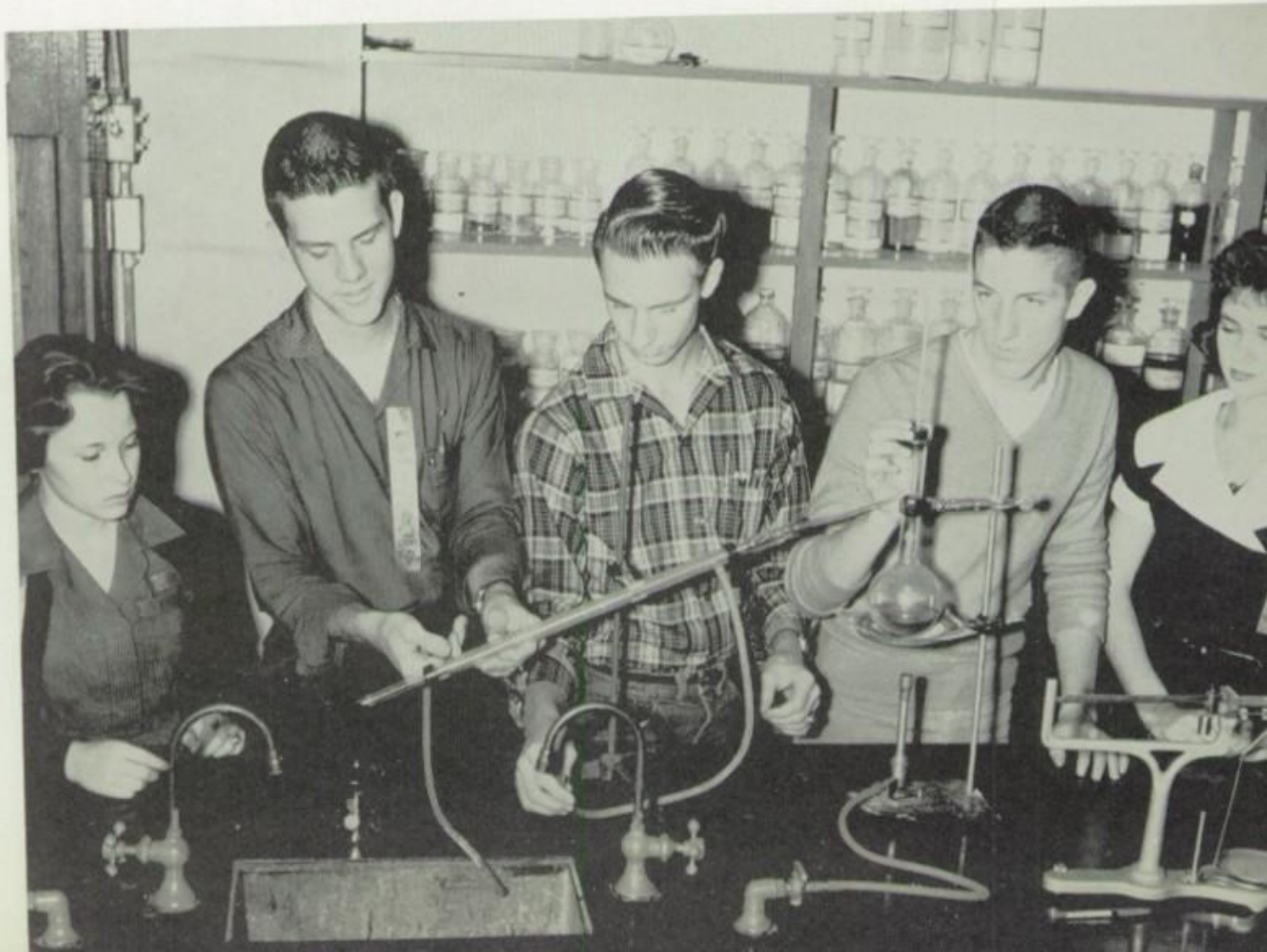
The class as a whole emphasizes observation, reasoning, and understanding and tries to avoid memorization and dogmatism.

The course goals are to acquire the ability to make high grades in any college entrance test in physics, and a vividly awakened and permanent interest in science and technology. It also aims for real facility in using such skills as oral and written verbal expression in science, the drawing of diagrams, Cartesian curve-plotting, and numerical calculations both by arithmetic and with the slide rule.

## CHEMISTRY

Chemistry at Neville aims toward the preparation of its students for college work in this field. Excessive memorization is avoided but the Chemistry student must learn to acquire the ability to comprehend basic formulas and problems which require the mastering of rules of various kinds.

A unit test is given after the completion of each topic and short quizzes are occasionally administered to cover important assignments given to the students taking the course. The chemistry classes spend a great deal of their time in the modern, well equipped laboratory and the rest of the time is spent in the lecture room. Advanced chemistry was taught from its establishment in 1957 to last school year.





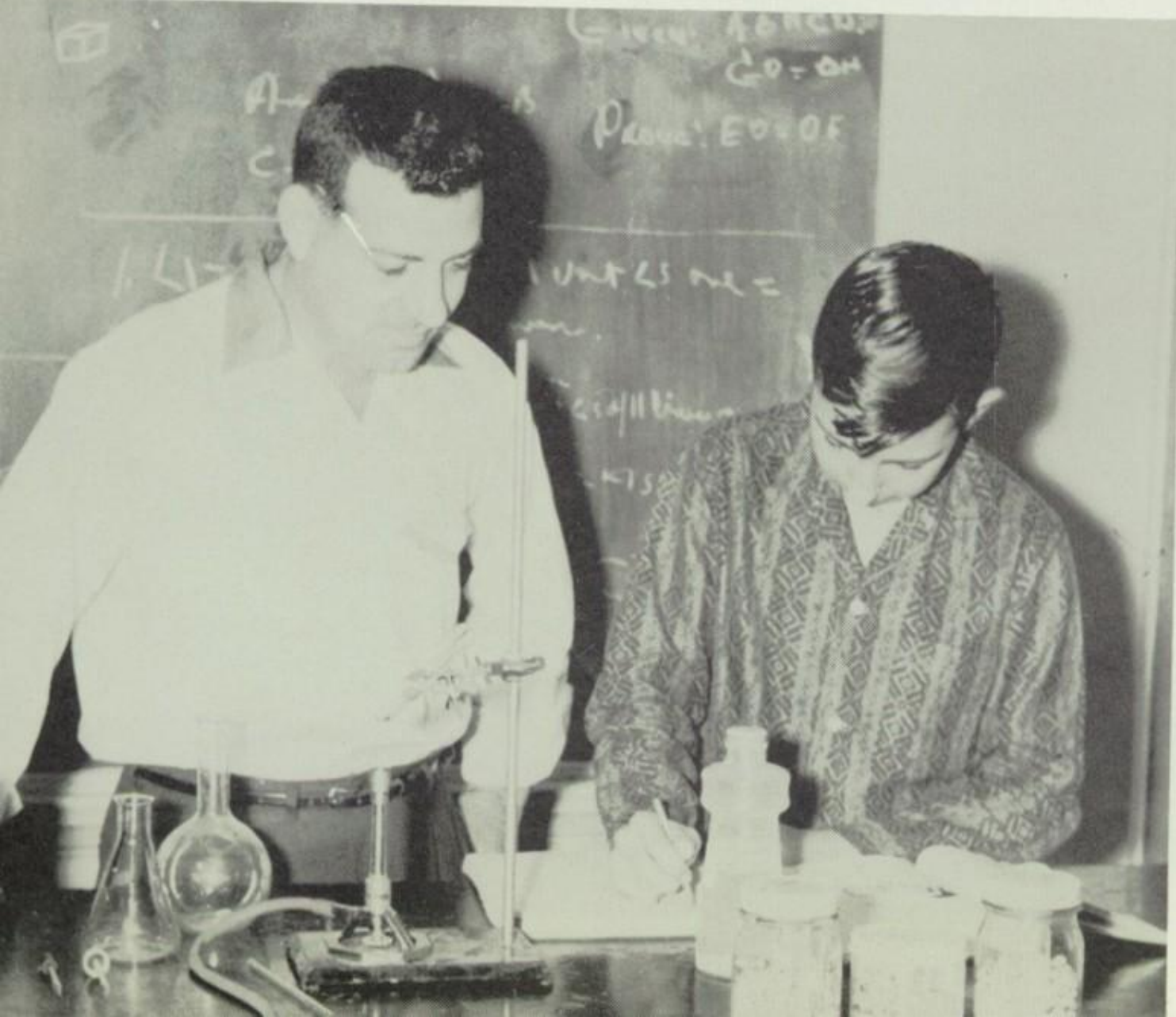
## BIOLOGY

At Neville biology is usually taken by freshmen and sophomores as a beginning science course. It offers the students laboratory work dealing with living organisms, both plant and animal. The course has proved to be quite popular among the younger pupils primarily because of its intense interest to them and comprehensibility of its general subject matter.

Students have an opportunity to study general plant, animal and human LIFE, since the subject is basically a study of life. Students learn the classification of plants and animals, their basic composition, physical structure and other essential facts about their function.



## GENERAL SCIENCE



General Science is another subject which is particularly popular among lower classmen and gives a good preparation to the student who intends later to pursue the study of chemistry and physics. However, this course is often a terminating study for the student who wishes to achieve a minor in science by usually taking biology in addition to general science.

General Science is the complement to biology in that it, in general, covers the physical aspect of science for the beginning high school science student. It does not deal with living organisms as does biology, but, on the other hand, emphasizes the inorganic phase of science such as elementary chemistry and physics.



## STUDY HALL

Neville High School maintains a system of study halls, designed to give students with vacant periods a chance to either do their homework, study for impending tests or catch up on class work. The large study hall, which also serves as the senior class homeroom, is an ideal place for quiet meditative study for all students who have a real desire for this. A teacher is in charge of each study hall period during the day and is always willing to help a student with any problem he might have.



## LIBRARY

Neville High School operates a modern, well-equipped library for the use of all the students, both for research and personal pleasure reading. Each year more books are acquired to keep up with the advancements in subject matter, especially in the scientific field.

The library is an excellent place for working on research papers, making book reports, obtaining supplementary references for class work and the like. It provides an ideal atmosphere for much worthwhile study and research for any student who wishes to take advantage of this opportunity.

All of the basic reference books such as encyclopedias, dictionaries, almanacs, etc., can be found in the library, history, science, literature and those books which fall under the other general book categories can be found in abundance in the Neville library.





# PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Original Physical Course

Established 1885

Subject re-established during  
World War II

## BOYS' GYM

Neville High School provides an up-to-date boys and girls physical education departments, utilizing the old and the gymnasiums, the old baseball field, and the varsity football and the baseball fields, as well as the new, modern track facilities. The boys and girls have every opportunity to develop their bodies fully in a healthful manner. Various types of exercises, and health instructions prevail throughout the year.



## GIRLS' GYM





## ASSEMBLIES

Neville's Chapter of the Future Homemakers of America presents a style show during the Christmas season, annually, featuring clothes made by the girls who model them. The shows are quite entertaining and novel, usually attracting a number of outsiders, mostly parents, who join the students in the auditorium.

### "STYLE SHOW"



### BACK-TO-SCHOOL NIGHT



Back-to-School Night is an annual get-together of parents, students and teachers at Neville for the purpose of mutual acquaintance and giving the parents an insight into the operation of the school. The program is initiated by a special assembly, attended by parents, students and teachers, followed by the parents' going to all six classes with their children for short get-togethers with the various teachers. The merits of this program have been termed quite great by both faculty-administration and parents themselves.

### "FOOTBALL"

Football pep assemblies have been a Neville tradition for years; the present practice is to hold an assembly the day of a grid encounter, usually Friday, with the band on stage, cheerleaders dressed in uniforms, leading yells and the entire student body present in the auditorium. Much of the famous Neville spirit is generated or rejuvenated by these lively assemblies. A talk by one of the coaching staff or a featured guest, a student or faculty member, often adds variety to the school-wide pep assemblies.





# SCHOOL SERVICES

## BOOKSTORE

Neville's Bookstore is located directly across the hall from the offices on the first floor and is in easy access for all students and teachers. The store sells many snack items such as candy, potato chips, cookies, etc., plus a varied assortment of school supplies, notebooks, composition books, paper, pencils, rulers, and so on. Mrs. Dorothy Hodge, school secretary, and a student assistant are usually the individuals who operate the store before school and during the lunch shifts. This establishment is just one more convenient service for the students of the school and is greatly patronized.



## CAFETERIA



Neville's cafeteria, located in the basement, was remodeled only last year and now boasts one of the finest high school units in the state. Over half of the student body and nearly all of the faculty members eat a well-prepared lunch daily in the dining room. Since the renovation, a number of banquets and special dinners have been held in the cafeteria after school hours.

## MAINTENANCE

Maintenance of a school the size of Neville is no simple task and it takes a full crew of special workers and a supervisor to keep the building and grounds clean and in an operative condition. There are five floors to clean and maintain (including the tower and basement), plus a medium-size gymnasium and an exceptionally large auditorium. The grounds comprise 22 acres or eight average city blocks. However, assistance is received from the Monroe City School Maintenance Department on special projects, especially when minor construction is required and special ground work is needed.





# NEVILLE GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT

Officially Established 1956  
by Sidney A. Seegers



The Neville Guidance Department was founded as a distinct, complete unit by the present Neville principal, Mr. Sidney Seegers, when he was appointed full-time guidance counselor in 1956. This was the first such department in Northeast Louisiana high schools. Miss Kathryn Douciere replaced Mr. Seegers when he became principal at Lee Junior High School in 1957. Many varied services are offered by the guidance unit such as testing of students for aptitude, IQ, college entrance, etc., and counseling for various problems all the way from vocational choices to different kinds of school problems.

## STUDENT OFFICE STAFF

Neville's student office staff consists of several boys who write out passes, summon students to the office, look up student schedules, write out absentee slips, admit slips and the like. The office boys perform a tremendous service for Neville High School, one for which they generally receive little or no recognition. These individuals base their operation in the office of the assistant principal.



## STUDENT STAGE CREW



Neville's student stage crew, headed by Bobby George, is another service group which literally works behind the scenes since the boys are almost always attending to the switchboard, curtains, props, etc., backstage during assemblies and special programs. These individuals are a great asset to Neville High School by generously volunteering their services.



## PELICAN BOY AND GIRLS STATE BOYS' STATERS



Boys' and Girls' State is a project sponsored by the American Legion, nationally for the purpose of giving high school students first-hand, practical experience in the operation of our government. The students are allowed to run for various state, city and parish offices. They participate in different phases of government activities, climaxed by actual use of the legislature for practical work. This program, with Louisiana headquarters at LSU (after the end of the summer sessions), has given many students an insight into the operation of the government which might not have otherwise been gained, if the program were not in effect.



## GIRLS' STATERS





## **Chapter III**



**Edited by Courtland Gray  
Dolly Bassett**





# **ORGANIZATIONS — CLUBS**



# NEVILLE ORGANIZATIONS

Louisiana's First **STUDENT COUNCIL** Founded 1931

—30 Years of Service—1931-1961—



**SENIOR AND JUNIOR MEMBERS**



**SOPHOMORE AND FRESHMAN MEMBERS**



The Student Council, organized in 1931, was the first student council in Louisiana and one of America's first. Immediate past sponsors have been Mrs. Alf Reid, Mrs. Obera Fisher, Mr. Sidney Seegers, and Mrs. Eileen Baur; Mr. Jerry Lee has been sponsor for the past two years. Neville's student council participates in state, southern, and national conferences and projects, of which the most important project this year is raising money for a proposed foreign exchange student program. The Student Council functions as a governing body with only the permission of Mr. Seegers needed for their projects. Through the organization, the students themselves are represented.

Beverly Franks is President of the Student Council this year with Courtland Gray, Vice-President; Linda Bird, Secretary-Treasurer; Lynn Smith, Chaplain; Jan West, Reporter; Bunny Buckner, Parliamentarian; Rosemary Upshaw, Historian; and Bill Becton, Sergeant-at-Arms.



# INTERNATIONAL KEY CLUB

Established 1955

The Key Club's purpose is to serve the home, school, and community by developing in its members initiative, leadership ability, and the desire to work. Key Clubbers are selected with the approval of the principal on the basis of high scholarship, good moral, and exceptional leadership qualities.

During the year many projects are undertaken such as handling concessions at home basketball games, vocational guidance day, service program in assembly, and selling football programs.

The Neville Key Club has been well recognized at district and international conventions for its activities, being awarded third place in the Projects Division, third place and first place in the Talent Division, and perhaps the most important, the Casserly Award, which is given to the most outstanding club selected on the basis of scholarship, attendance at meetings, and quality and number of projects.



## KEY CLUB OFFICERS:

MIKE RILEY, President

MIKE PICKETT, Vice-President

ALEX MYATT, Secretary

ARTHUR ENSMINGER, Treasurer

BEV FRANKS, Sergeant-at-Arms

Board Members: COURTLAND GRAY, Senior; RALPH ROBERTS, Junior; JIMMY HOWARD, Sophomore



# NEVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

## TIGERETTE

### PEP SQUAD

Founded 1935 as Boosters Club by Miss Harriet Boyle  
Re-founded 1945 as Tigerettes Pep Squad



### TIGERETTES ON THE MARCH



In 1945 the Tigerettes were organized and have been the leading organization producing school spirit since that time. They march in parades, at halftime football shows and in other special activities. Tigerettes are required to keep certain grades during the year and comply with rigid rules to remain a member. Each spring, new recruits from the junior high schools are trained for the coming year under the direction of Mr. John E. Taylor.

Officers for this year are Linda Bird, president; Lee Ann Lewis, Vice-President; Carolyn Murray, Secretary; Doll Burgoyne, Treasurer. Field officers are Harriett Murray, Senior Commander; Jeanne Slaughter, Senior-Alternate Commander; Tommie Jean Dixon, Junior Commander; Dottie Amman, Junior-Alternate Commander.

The Tigerettes have kept pace with their traditional school service projects by sponsoring a school flag designing contest this year in conjunction with the student council; the girls organization has also volunteered to pay for the making of the new flag. The student council handled the contest; a notice was published to the effect that any student or faculty member could submit a flag design entry to the contest. The council, itself, would then review the proposed flags and finally vote on the new, permanent, official Neville Flag. The design submitted by a faculty member, Mr. Sammy R. Danna, was selected as the one to make up the new Neville flag. The emblem is actually a slight modification of the school's coat of arms, also designed by Mr. Danna, and appearing on the front and back end sheets of this yearbook. Unfortunately, the flag could not be made in time for a picture to appear in this edition of the Monrovan; however, a photo of it should appear in the 1962 annual.





## **TIGERETTES PARADE FOR HOMECOMING 1960**

This is a view of the Tigerettes marching in the Homecoming parade, September 30; the girls are on the west end of Desiard Street. Besides marching in parades, the Tigerettes perform in halftime shows at the football games and promote general school spirit.

## **THE TIGERETTES MARCH IN PARADES, TAKE PART IN HALFTIME SHOWS AND PARTICIPATE IN MANY OTHER EVENTS**

### **TIGERETTE OFFICERS FOR 1960-61**

Tigerette officers are, **BOTTOM ROW**, left to right: Doll Burgoyne, treasurer; Lee Ann Lewis, Vice President; Linda Bird, President; Carolyn Murray, Secretary; Jeanne Slaughter, Sr. Alternate Commander. **TOP ROW**: Jan Adcock, Flagbearer; Anne Pankey, Flagbearer; Harriet Murray, Sr. Commander; Gail John, Company Commander; Tommie Jean Dixon, Jr. Commander; Lynn Smith, Company Commander. Not pictured is Dottie Amman, Jr. Alternate Commander.





# NEVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

## BAND

Founded 1929

By Clint Walker

The Neville High School Band is organized for the main purpose of developing the musicianship, citizenship and character of the individual, in a well-disciplined organization with the use of extremely high standards in other fields of endeavor, as well as music.

The band projects during the year include a concert featuring a professional soloist, a district contest, a state contest, and a spring concert. The band also marches in parades, and plays at football games and pep rallies.

Past directors were Mr. Charles Gaushell, Mr. John R. Cannon, Mr. William Parks, and Mr. John W. Davis.

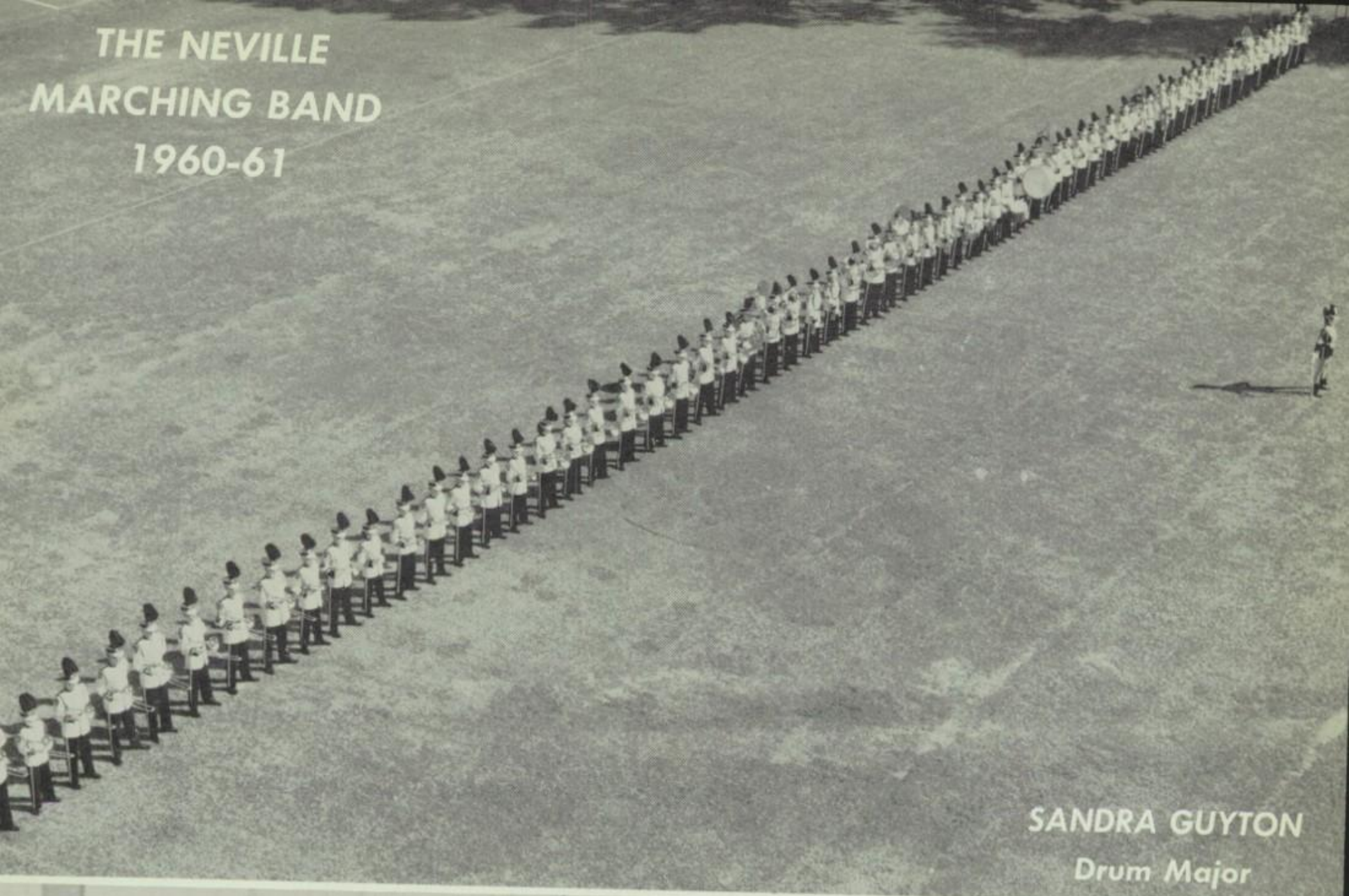
Band Officers for this year are Captain, Donn Kurtz; Drum Major, Sandra Guyton, Student Conductor, John H. Nelson; Lieutenant, Jeannie Snodgras, Jim Huggins, Howard Rivers; Librarian Sgt., Ann Adams; Uniform Sgt., Sheila Culp; Property Sgt., Leon Price; Librarian Cpl., Doris Solomon; Uniform Cpl., Richard Mulhearn; Property Cpl., Phil Guthrie, Jack Trousdale, Mr. Herbert Gathright is the present director.



THE 1960-61 NEVILLE HIGH SCHOOL



**THE NEVILLE  
MARCHING BAND  
1960-61**



**SANDRA GUYTON**  
*Drum Major*



**SCHOOL CONCERT BAND**





The 1961 All-State Band members from Neville exceeded all other schools in the state in number. They are from left to right: Sheila Culp, Peggy Southerland, Ann Adams, Jim Mathis, John Harvey Nelson, David McCaskill, Tommy Ritter, and Richard Mulhern. Mr. Gathright is seated in front. Missing from the picture is Phil Guthrie.



Band officers are, from left to right, Donn Kurtz, Captain; Sandra Guyton, Drum Major; John Harvey Nelson, Student Conductor; Jeannie Snodgras, First Lieutenant; Jim Huggins, First Lieutenant; Howard Rivers, First Lieutenant; Leon Price, Property Sergeant; Sheila Culp, Uniform Sergeant; Ann Adams, Library Sergeant; Doris Solomon, Library Corporal; Richard Mulhern, Uniform Corporal; Phil Guthrie, Property Corporal; Jack Trousedale, Property Corporal.

Herbert Gathright, *Director*

Donn Kurtz, *Captain*

Sandra Guyton, *Drum Major*







The Band Property Crew is responsible for handling band instruments when the unit travels; members are, left to right, Buddy Pearson, Bark Harrison, Jack Trousdale, Perry Willey, David McCaskill, Phil Guthrie, Richard Kiper, Dewitt Beckett; kneeling, Leon Price.



All-State Orchestra Members for 1960-61 are, left to right, Ann Adams, Carol Crotwell, John Harvey Nelson, Barry Mullins, Howard Rivers, Calvin McFadden, and Richard Mulhern.



Euphonium players are from left to right, Barry Mullins, Barbara Orquest, David McCaskill, Warren Klam, Barbara Suomi, Sissi Martin, Bobby Whitelaw and Newby McNeil.



Herald trumpet players are: Denver McCarty, Gerald Acosta, Jim Huggins, John H. Nelson, Tim Greer, Fred Vogel, Leon Price, Wayne Smith.



## WASHINGTON, D.C.



This C. P. Gray photo of the U.S. Capitol Building is symbolic of the band's goal.

## NEVILLE BAND PLAYS FOR

A sketch of the trip

Neville High School's Marching Band departed from Monroe Tuesday, January 17 at 5:00 A.M. for Washington D.C. to participate in the inauguration of John F. Kennedy as the 35th President of the United States.

The entire trip, made on three chartered buses, was under the direction of Herbert Gathright, Director of Neville Bands; his plans were perfectly arranged and executed during the entire journey. The citizens of Monroe contributed the money which made the trip possible.

The supreme moment, the time for which each band member had rehearsed intently, traveled hundreds of miles and then marched two miles in sub-freezing weather, was the relatively brief interval when the Nevillites passed in front of President Kennedy's reviewing stand at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, the location of the White House.

That event can never be taken away from the 85 bandmen, nor will any be likely to forget it as long as he lives. Drum Major, Sandra Guyton, summed it up aptly: "This will be something that I can tell my grandchildren about . . ."

Many events transpired before this paramount occasion; a rather brief sketch of the trip from Neville to Washington and the events which took place there and in Baltimore, where the band aggregation slept two nights, is certainly in order in this sketch.

After leaving Neville the group's first stop was a brief one in Jackson, Mississippi; dinner was served in Bessemer, Alabama, and the party moved a few miles on into Birmingham where a somewhat lengthy bus refueling stop was enjoyed. It was nighttime when the buses pulled into Chattanooga, Tennessee. Mid-morning, Wednesday, found the bandmen and their chaperones in the Mountains of Virginia which were abundantly covered with new fallen snow. The sun was shining brightly; the temperature hovered at the freezing mark; the wind was rather swift; the travelers were tired of sitting down; all of these ingredients put together went into the making of one of the wildest snowball fights ever seen in the Eastern part of the nation. Everyone had the time of his life with balls of snow, hitting others and getting hit right back.

Finally, the three buses pulled into Washington, D.C., about 5:00 on January 18; they traveled past the Lincoln Memorial, the Jefferson Memorial, the Washington Monument, the Marine Memorial and other landmarks in the great city. However, this was not an official sightseeing trip for the buses were merely going through the District of Columbia in order to get on to the Washington-Baltimore Thruway. The destination was the place of residence for the next two nights, the New Motel in Baltimore.

After a good night's sleep the group boarded the buses and traveled back to Washington via the Baltimore Bay Tunnel for a day of sightseeing. The Capitol Building was the first stop where everyone was greeted by Congressman Otto E. Passman of Monroe; he escorted the band to the House of Representatives Gallery. After the brief Capitol visit the bandmen traveled through Arlington and Falls Church, finally stopping at historic Mount Vernon, the home of George Washington. Everyone had an interesting time, touring the grounds and the buildings; the waters of the Potomac River were quite rough because of the brisk wind; this added to the beauty and romance of the Washington estate.



Much fun was realized playing in the snow during much of the trip.



Character study of Beckett and Borgkuist on the bus; they managed to pass away the time.



# PRESIDENTIAL INAUGURATION

JANUARY 20, 1961

Dinner was served in a Falls Church restaurant and during the meal, the first traces of what later proved to be a major snow storm, were seen through the restaurant windows. At first, everyone was delighted to see the snow; several hours later, the delight ceased when the snow became knee deep in many places. In spite of the heavy snowfall, the travelers moved back to Washington and to the Smithsonian Institute in particular. After several hours touring the great storehouse of exhibits, the Monroians began a nearly six hour trip back to Baltimore in a raging snow storm that stranded over a thousand cars in the District of Columbia area; many of these were on the Baltimore Thruway; a few abandoned autos even had to be pushed off the road by bandmen.

Everyone was eager to get back to the motel and after a quick supper went to bed quite tired to say the least. The group was up early the next morning; the snow was piled high on the ground; band instrument loading was difficult; instruments were freezing up; the buses had several mechanical breakdowns, but finally the journey to Washington began. This time the trip took much less time, about a tenth, to be exact. The sun was shining brightly, but the temperature still hovered around 20 degrees. The buses went to the specially designated area for all parade vehicles, across the Potomac, and waited there for about an hour until the signal was given to go to the Capitol Building area in order of appearance in the ten mile long parade.

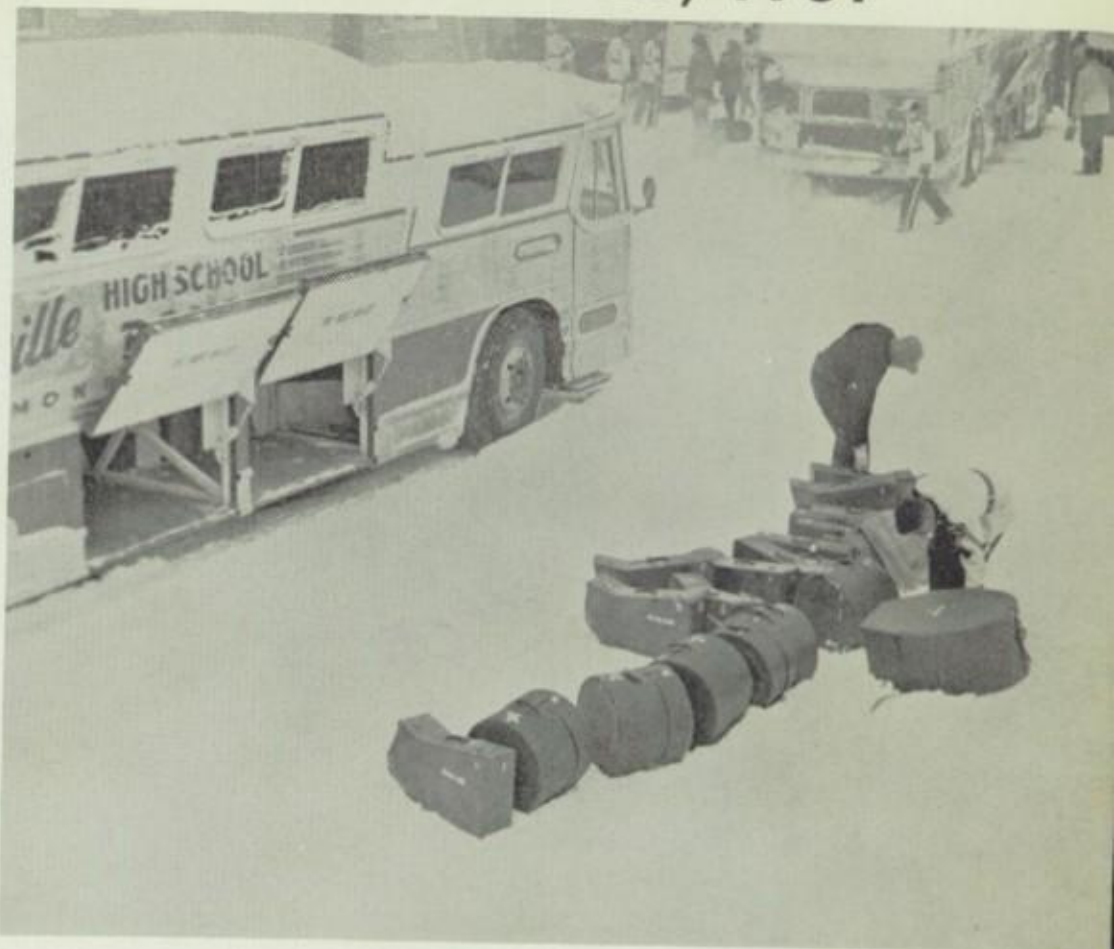
City Superintendent and Mrs. Van D. Odom were honored guests of Congressman Passman and sat in stands near the President's reviewing platform. Dr. Vincent Sampognaro, the band physician for the trip, and Mr. Joe Maggio, the band pharmacist for the trip, along with Mrs. Gathright, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Caskey and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Jackson, chaperones, found fine vantage spots along the parade route. Student Body President, Bev Franks, also watched the parade with the adult members of the band aggregation.

Mr. Sammy R. Danna, Public Relations Director, and Courtland Gray, principal Inaugural Trip Photographer, obtained bleacher seats in front of the Post Office Building at the corner of Pennsylvania Avenue and 12th Street, an excellent vantage point to see the entire parade; although the avenue seats had been sold out for days, Congressman Passman's influence readily obtained two for the Neville journalists. The black and white still pictures taken by Gray are considered outstanding. Mr. Danna's color slides and color and black and white movies added to this priceless and memorable collection of pictures.

After the parade was over the group boarded their buses as quickly as possible and headed for Falls Church to eat supper. The following two nights and one day were spent on the road back to Monroe, following much the same route that was taken a few days before going up to Washington. The Monroians arrived back at Neville High School on Sunday, January 22 at 7:10 A.M., tired, but happy and grateful for having made such a trip.

Yes, the Neville Band was privileged to do what very few of the many thousands of high school bands throughout America have accomplished, that is, march down Pennsylvania Avenue before the President of the United States in his Inauguration Day Parade.

Thanks very much Mr. Gathright and Band,  
Sammy R. Danna, Neville Public Relations Director



Snow before the inaugural—loading the buses with snowbound instruments.



The band, marching down Pennsylvania Avenue toward the White House; band approaches the Monroian inaugural photographer at the 12th Street intersection.



# THE

# 1961

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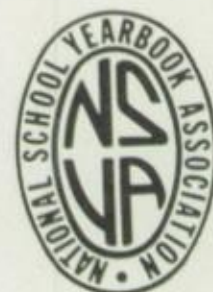
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BEV FRANKS, Sizzler Co-Editor,  
Monroyan Mgr. Ed., Sports Ed.



Monroyan was founded in 1921 as the Squeedunk at Monroe City High School (published 1922). Mr. William Wunsch was the faculty founder as well as the originator of the Sizzler. The name, Squeedunk, supposedly referring to a steam-whistle, was changed to Monroyan in 1932 when Monroe City High became Neville High. Mr. W. C. Spight was yearbook sponsor and was responsible for the wise name change.

During the World War II years, no yearbook was published at Neville as was the case of most high schools throughout the nation. However, after the war, publication was resumed. Most of the annuals were printed by means of letterpress printing, a somewhat costly method. However, after sponsoring only one letterpress yearbook, Mr. Leon L. Marx started the offset lithography tradition of yearbook printing which began in 1951, and it has continued to this day. The new sponsor, Mr. Sammy R. Danna, a former Monroyan Editor, intends to continue with the offset process. This year's annual was sent to the printers as early as last year's book. The 1961 Monroyan is the largest, most expensive and most comprehensive in the yearbook's 40 year old history. Also, more prose appears in 1961 annual than has been displayed in most past books.



# 1961 MONROYAN CO-EDITORS

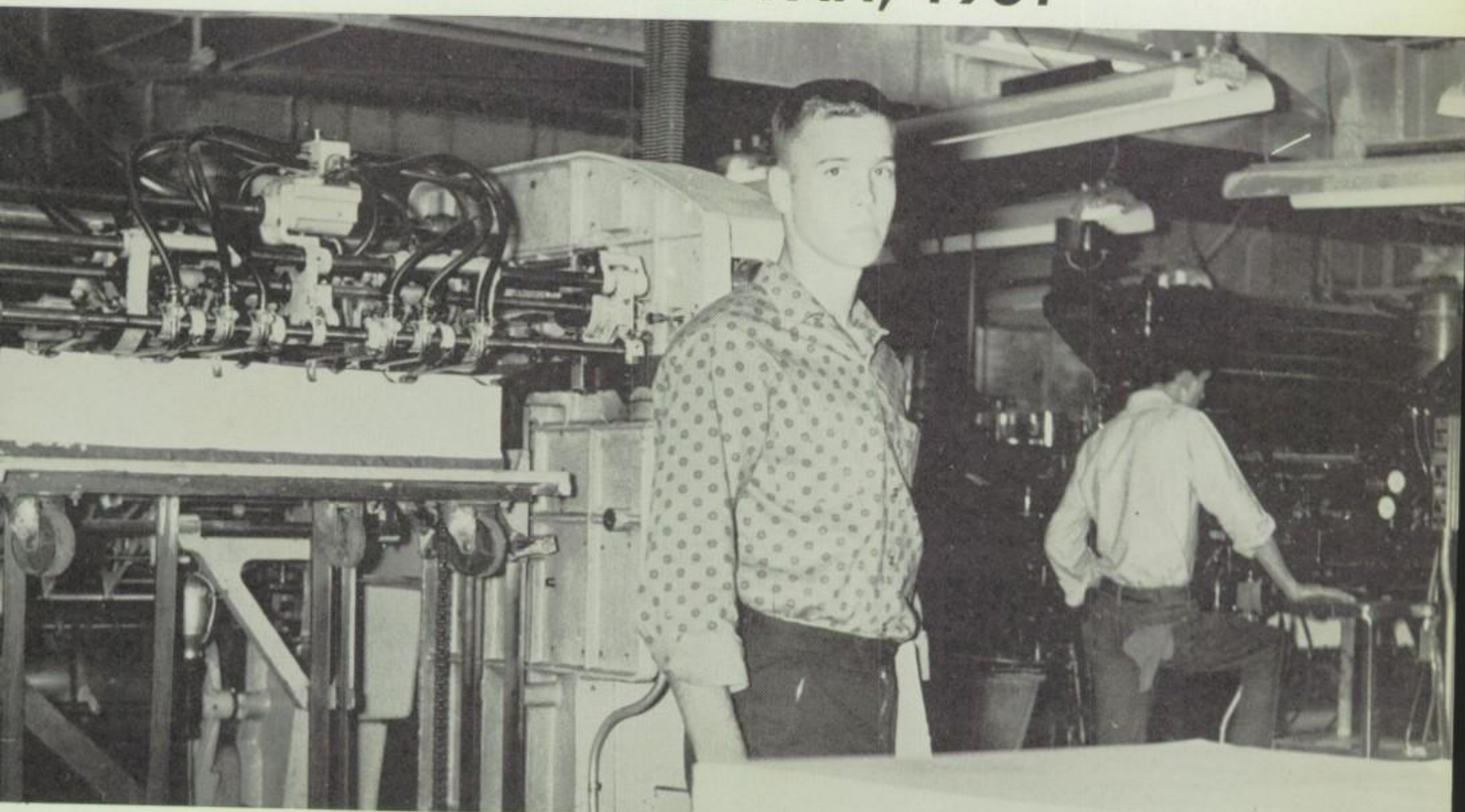


**BETTIE SUTTON**



**DOLLY BASSETT**

## MR. MONROYAN, 1961



**COURTLAND GRAY** (Pictured at Taylor Publishing Co. Plant, Dallas)  
Student Assistant to the Director of Publications  
Neville Sizzler Co-Editor

Monroyan Organizations, Spring and Activities Editor  
Printing and Photography Assistant





Principal Ad Salesmen: Jim Guthrie and Jane Loker, Miss Monroyan 1961.

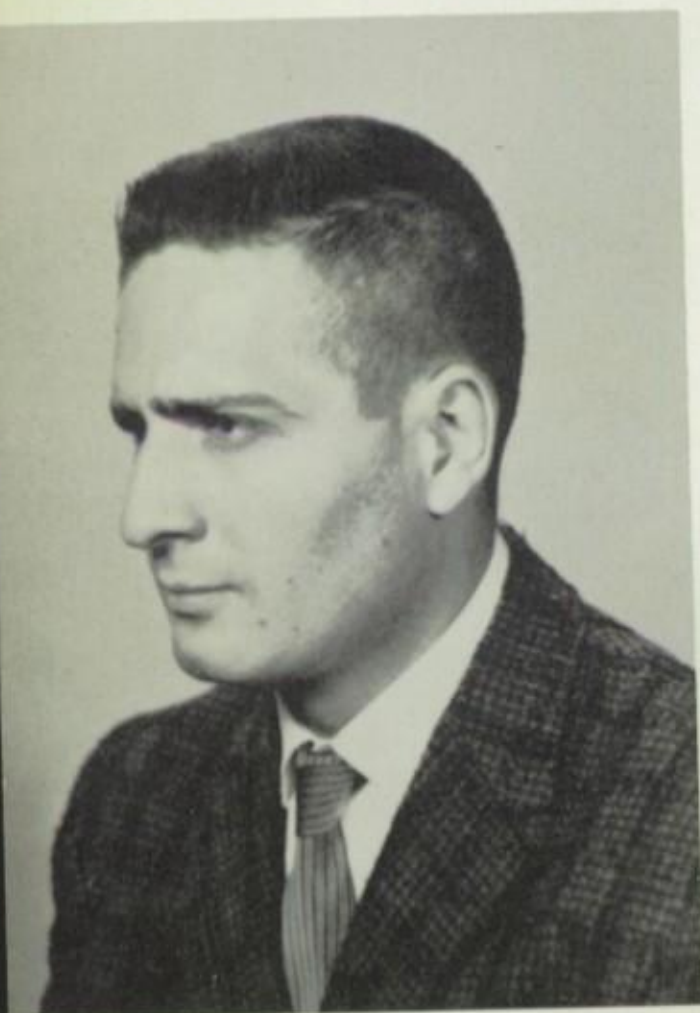
In 1959 Neville became the first high school in the state to establish a complete, fully equipped printing shop. This is but one of the many firsts in the school's long, illustrious history. By using the printing facilities the past two years the Monroe City Schools (Neville, in particular) were able to save many thousands of dollars. Also, many items were produced which would not have been printed if the equipment had not been installed. Students gained much valuable experience from working in the department, stated Mr. Sammy R. Danna, its director. Some of the items printed include the Sizzler, football programs, band programs, posters, letterheads, envelope headings, report cards, tickets, various office forms and the like. The printing shop should more than pay for itself several times in the next few years, according to present estimates.

Truly, along with the photographic shop, the printing shop is one of the wisest investments ever made at this school. The printing equipment was purchased for Neville by the Monroe City School Board in the spring of 1959 and this year the dream of special printing classes became a reality with the initiation of Journalism II. These classes are fully described in Chapter II. The addition of this vocational course has aided the progress of the printing and photographic shop more than anything since their very beginning. Several pieces of minor equipment were added to the printing establishment this school year, but it is hoped that much more, including major items, will be procured in the near future, if possible.

## NEVILLE PRINTING SHOP

Established 1959

### MR. SAMMY R. DANNA



Director of Publications,  
Monroyan and Sizzler;  
Director of Printing and  
Photography;  
Director of Public Relations



Robert Turner prepares a headline in the Neville Printing Shop.



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# Neville Sizzler

*"For the Good of the School"*

*Founded in the Summer of 1921*

40 years of Service—1921-1961

Neville Sizzler was founded in the summer of 1921 by Mr. William R. Wunsch, teacher of rhetoric at Monroe City High School (Neville's name before 1931). The summer school rhetoric class at MCHS carried the Sizzler idea through. The reason for the unusual name SIZZLER is that the weather was extremely hot at that time and someone, it is said, stated that one particular day was really a SIZZLER. Also, an important hot news story is known as a SIZZLER. The school newspaper has been printed in many different formats, styles and arrangements since that 1921 beginning. The motto: "FOR THE GOOD OF THE SCHOOL" is exclusive with the SIZZLER and has been passed down through the years as one of the most unique and famous in the state. Mr. Leon L. Marx sponsored and directed the production of the Sizzler from 1949 to 1953. During this time it was printed by offset lithography except for one 1949 issue. Other sponsors of the newspaper include Miss Mary Hester, Mrs. Austin Miller, and Mr. W. C. Spight. Mr. Sammy R. Danna a former Sizzler editor became sponsor in 1956 when the Sizzler was revised and resumed publication by letterpress after a lag of three school years. No Sizzlers were printed from 1957 to 1959. Again Mr. Danna was in charge of reviving the old newspaper in 1959. This time its printing was done right here at Neville High School, quite successfully. The Sizzler was also distributed free of charge to the student body and did not solicit advertising. The only national award earned by the Sizzler was a first place certificate awarded in 1957 by the Columbia Scholastic Press Association of Columbia University and a second place award from CSPA in 1960.

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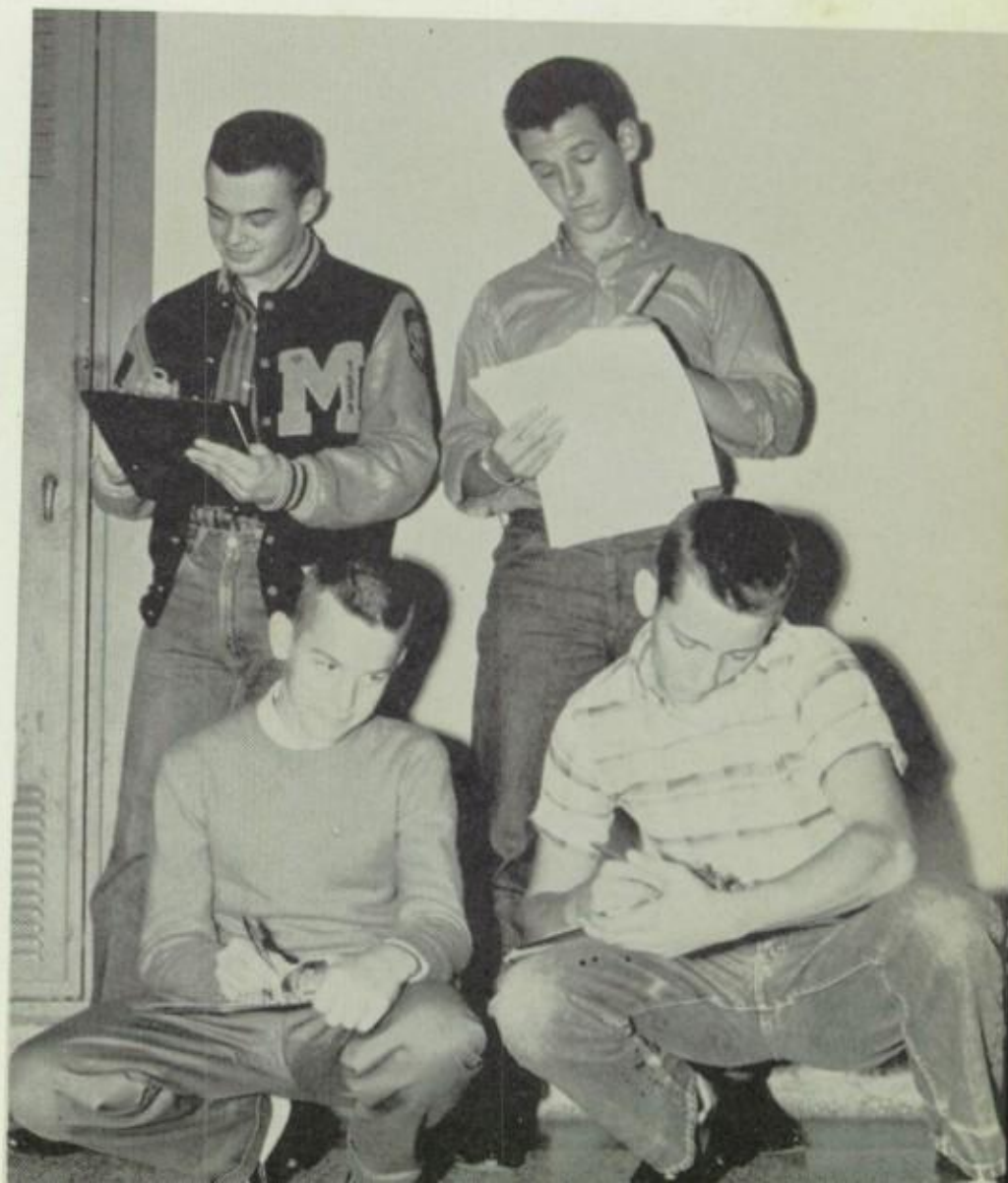
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TOMMY GIBBS



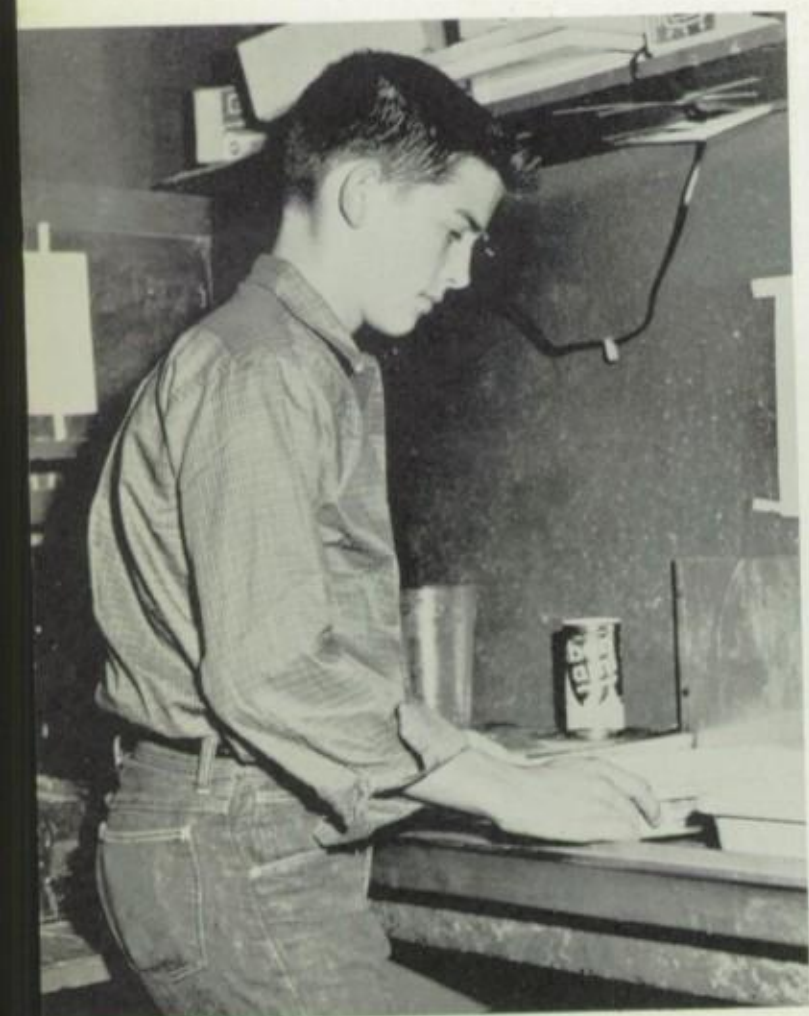
RICKY GIBBENS

## NEVILLE PHOTOGRAPHIC SHOP

Established 1932

Re-established 1949

Neville High School's photographic department, officially called Neville Photographic Shop, had its beginning in the early 1930's when Mr. W. C. Spight was teaching chemistry and physics and sponsoring the yearbook. Actually, the darkroom that is in existence today was begun under the sponsorship of Mr. Leon L. Marx, former Monrovan sponsor. From 1949 to 1959 the darkroom progressed rather steadily. Mr. Sammy R. Danna became director in 1959. In order to keep up with modern trends in photography and move along with the rest of the school, the darkroom needs to be radically remodeled and greatly improved. New and more modern advanced equipment is critically needed in order to meet the challenge of the future with the rest of Neville High School. Thus far, sufficient funds have not been procured to remodel the establishment, but the project is still on the planning board.



JOHN BEASLEY



GREGG HUTTS



# INTERNATIONAL QUILL AND SCROLL SOCIETY

Established 1933

Re-established 1959

(William R. Wunsch Chapter)

Quill and Scroll was first organized at Neville in 1933 under the direction of Mr. W. C. Spight and revised by Mr. Leon L. Marx in 1949. In 1956 and again in 1959 it was reorganized by Mr. Sammy R. Danna, the present sponsor. As honorary society, Quill and Scroll recognizes outstanding journalism students who rank in the upper third of their classes, and are fully approved by school officials.



## SAFETY COUNCIL

Established 1957

The Safety Council is in charge of various traffic situations which arise in and around Neville. Its aims are also to promote and help insure safety, especially around the school proper. Linda Collet serves the club as president; remaining officers are, Mary Conlin, Vice-President; Molly Shelton, Secretary-Treasurer; Carol Jean Cahn, Vice-President in charge of School Safety; Jody Biedenharn, Vice-President in charge of Traffic Safety; Patty Pierpont, Vice-President in charge of Home Safety; Dottie Amman, Reporter; Ronnie Brasher, Sergeant-at-Arms.



# Sigma Sigma Society

Founded 1914 by Ernest L. Neville

Sigma Sigma Honorary Scholarship Society was founded in 1914 largely through the influence of Ernest L. Neville, whose purpose it was to bring together each year the high scholarship students of the Senior Class. The Society has continued, uninterrupted, to the present day, and presently, it is the only scholarship or honor society at Neville. The charter members of Sigma Sigma were Edwin Marks, Alston Prophet, Virginia Russell, Emma Smith, Beatrice Callman, and William Wunsch, all of the class of 1914. In June of 1921, a special meeting was held to officially organize Sigma Sigma. Wunsch drew up the ritual and Miss Dorothy Schulze designed the pin and emblem. The society thus claimed all Monroe City High School students who had performed three years of work at the school, making a B average (90%) or better in all work and no failures (in semester work.) At the end of three years of work at the City High School a student became eligible for membership. The Sigma Sigma pin and emblem is in the general shape of a cross. The emblem of the crusaders forms the background and is of gold. The face of the pin is jet enamel in which is embedded a single gold star at the top of the cross—the Star of David—and three gold links at the base. On the two arms are gold Sigmas. In the center of the cross is a Grecian lamp of learning, engraved in surface gold. The distribution of these pins was discontinued during World War II when they could not be obtained. The practice of giving Sigma Sigma pins to members has not been renewed to this day. Also, the requirements are different now. They are that a student must have a B (90%) average or better in three-fourths of his subjects and no failures in semester work for membership. The requirement of doing three or more years of work at the City High School for membership in Sigma Sigma has also been dropped. Today, the primary recognition of Sigma Sigma members is the printing of the names in the graduation program and the reading of them during the graduation ceremonies. Sigma Sigma will always remain a lasting symbol of Superior Scholarship at Neville High School.

## AMERICAN JUNIOR RED CROSS

Established 1914



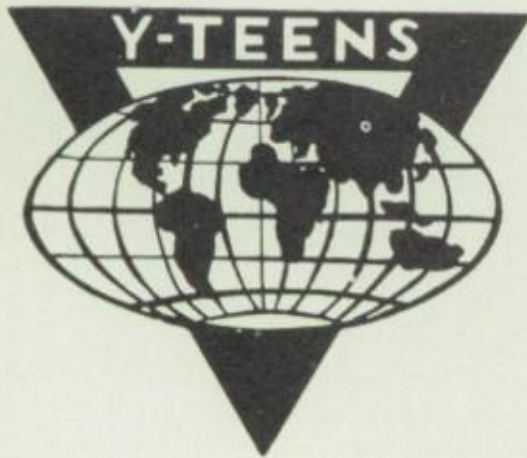
Neville's Red Cross Chapter is affiliated with the National American Red Cross; this is a service organization with its main function to encourage the students to support the annual Red Cross Drive for operative funds. All of the members participate actively with work at the local Red Cross Parish Unit. Lea Thompson is president of the organization this school year.



# NEVILLE CLUBS

## Y-TEENS

Re-established  
1955



To grow as a person, to grow in friendship with people of all nations, and to grow in the knowledge and love of God, are goals the Y-Teens try to instill in their members. As an active club at Neville, the Y-Teens sponsor a Christmas party for VFW children, a three-act charity play in the spring, and a float for homecoming.

Officers for this year are, Sylvia Pritcher, President; Alice Butler, Vice-President; Shirley Curry, Secretary; Linda Bradley, Treasurer; Barbara McCoy, Chaplain; and Jane Loker, Historian. Mrs. Edith Rodriguez is the club sponsor.



## HI-Y

Re-established 1954



Neville's Hi-Y is the boy's counterpart of the girl's Y-Teens. The organization encourages religious morals in order to serve school and community. Headed by President Don Higginbotham, the club has been busy with many activities this year. The other officers for the year are Wayne Smith, Vice-President; Jerry Mehl, Secretary-Treasurer; Tommy Gibbs, Chaplain; and Kenneth Mulhearn, Sergeant-at-Arms.





## MEDICS CLUB

Founded 1957

Neville's Medics Club at Neville was organized to encourage interest in the medical field, to gain knowledge of the medical profession, and to prepare members for their medical careers. Each member works at the hospitals in Monroe, and after fifty hours of service, a pin of recognition is rewarded.

The Medics Club is sponsored by Mr. Loftin. The present officers are Ann Futch, President; Jack Trousdale, Vice-President; Nancy Miller, Secretary; and Judy Clark, Treasurer.

## LATIN CLUB

Founded 1922; Re-established 1951



The Latin Club was reorganized in 1951, with Miss Ruth Simmons serving as sponsor since the club was begun. As a growing club the members strive to make acquaintance with the civilization of Greece and Rome in order to understand and appraise the world of today. On becoming a member of the Latin Club the Student also becomes a member of the Junior Classical League, which is the largest organization in the world for high school students.

During the year the club presents an annual assembly, an invitation banquet, and has membership at State and National Conventions. Officers for this year are, Cynthia Leigh, President; Tommy Sparks, Vice-President; K. K. Kite, Secretary; Kurt Guelzow, Treasurer; Shawn McBride, Social Chairman; and Terry Hessick, Reporter.



## FRENCH CLUB

Founded 1921 by Mrs. Alf Reid and Mrs. Austin Miller

The French Club, new at Neville this year, is sponsored by Mrs. Margaret Taylor. Their purpose is to promote interest in the study of the French speaking countries, their customs, cultures, languages, and lives. Officers are, Mary Wright, President; Rosemary Upshaw, Vice-President; Bunny Cannon, Secretary-Treasurer; and Dian McGee, Sergeant-at-Arms.



## SCIENCE CLUB

Founded 1929 as Gamma Rho Science Club, Re-established 1951



The Science Club, previously sponsored by Mr. Loftin, is now sponsored by Mr. L. D. Allen. The present officers are Alex Myatt, President; Sandra Guyton, Vice-President; Jeanne Slaughter, Secretary; Lynn Smith, Treasurer; Bill Frizell, Sergeant-at-Arms.

The purposes of the Neville Science Club are to encourage an interest in Science and to encourage interested students to pursue their interests. The club is made up of students with science as common interest and gives these students an opportunity to discuss their interests.

The Neville Science Club is planning a field trip to Sterlington, and a field trip to Olin Mathison in West Monroe.



# NATIONAL THESPIAN SOCIETY

Established 1949

Re-established

NON-SECRET

NON-SOCIAL



The purpose and aim of the society of Thespians is the advancement and improvement of the program of the dramatic arts at Neville. This year's goal of the Thespians is to put on a three-act play, the second semester.

Officers for this year are, Diane King, President; Richard Green, Vice-President; Barbara McCoy, Secretary; Sarah Shaughnessy, Treasurer. The sponsor is Mr. Jerry Lee, speech teacher.



## FUTURE HOMEMAKERS OF AMERICA

Founded 1927 as

Home Ec Club

An outstanding club at Neville, the FHA, was organized in 1927 as the Home Ec Club. Its immediate past sponsors were Sara Bres and Ira Davis. Goals for this year are, to develop potential abilities of members, to promote better family understanding, and to develop better understanding between neighbors at home and abroad.

During the year the FHA presents a style show, a Christmas Program presenting a foreign exchange student as guest speaker, and a Mother-Daughter Banquet.

Mickey Shaughnessy serves as president this year.





# FBLA

Established 1952



The FBLA, one of the most active clubs at Neville, was organized in 1952, under the direction of Miss Harriet Boyle. Mrs. Bernice Hickman is serving as present sponsor.

FBLA is designed particularly for those students who are looking forward to careers in business. One of its chief objectives is to develop strong, aggressive leadership so that these future businessmen and women may participate more effectively in the business and community life of which they are a part. Members of the Future Business Leaders of America learn how to lead and participate in group discussions, preside at meetings and conferences, head and work on committee assignments, engage group problem conferences, work effectively with others in a democratic society, and participate in other desirable activities which contribute to the development of desirable leadership qualities.

During the year the club arranges for and makes business education field trips to local business firms to study business operations and office employment opportunities, and conducts a series of contests in the school, such as: Spelling, Parliamentary Procedure, Current Events, Public Speaking, and the Ideal Future Business Leader.

Officers for this year are, Dolly Bassett, President; Judy Reagan, first Vice-President; Mike Riley, Second Vice-President; Mignon Scogin, Secretary; Lee Ann Lewis, Treasurer; Bettie Sutton, Historian and Billy John, Sergeant-at-Arms.

## LIBRARY CLUB

Founded October 18, 1933; Re-established 1947

Neville's Library Club, one of the oldest clubs in our school, was organized in 1935. Its purposes are to encourage an interest in reading, in libraries, and to share opinions of all types of books.

The club's projects include the recording of books read, a file of the comments on these books, and the sending of delegates to the Louisiana Teenage Librarians association held at L.S.U.

The present officers are Annette Graves, President; Susan Ferguson, Vice-President; Shelton Cole, Secretary; Janet Lovelady, Program Chairman.





## **Chapter IV**



**Edited by Sydney Greenblatt  
and Dolly Bassett**





# FEATURES





MR. AND MISS  
Jan West





**NEVILLE HIGH SCHOOL**  
**Beverly Franks**





**MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED . . .**

**Courtland Gray  
Lea Thompson**



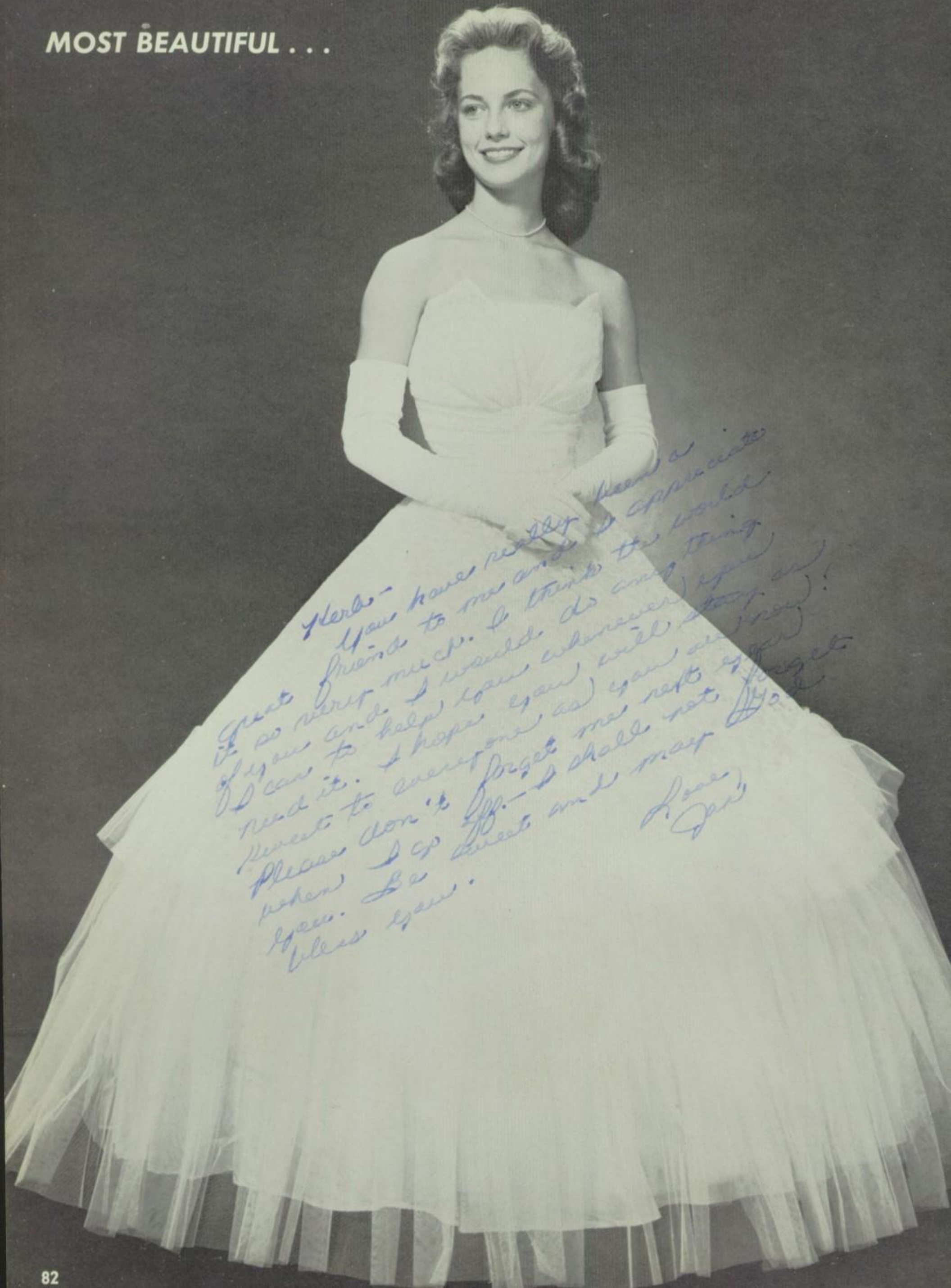


**MOST INTELLECTUAL . . .**

**Jack Burton  
Lynn Smith**



MOST BEAUTIFUL . . .



Herb -  
You have really been a  
great friend to me and I appreciate  
it so much. I would do anything  
of you and help you whenever you  
need it. I hope you will stay  
sweet to everyone as you are  
when I see you. I shall not forget  
you. Be sweet and stay  
bless you.  
Love,  
H. J.





**Jan West**





**MOST HANDSOME . . .**





**Neal Gunn**





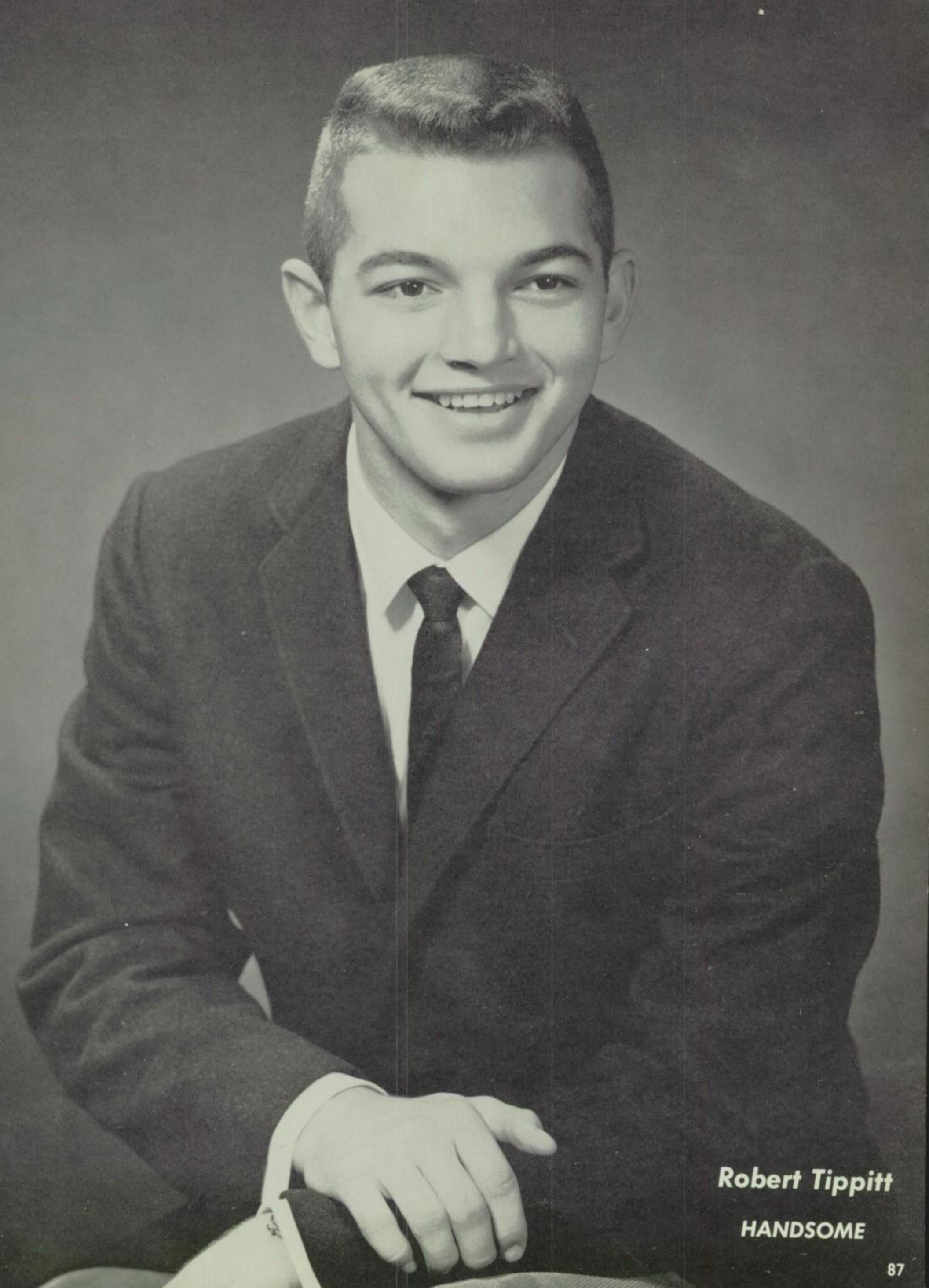
Herb,  
Well I don't write  
you as often, but for  
a few minutes I have  
had more fun with you  
this year. Really, there is  
something about you that  
attracts people. I'll never  
forget you, for you have been  
so sweet to me. Thank you for  
it! Good luck with all your goals!

Love,  
Kay  
ABE

**Kay Branch**

**BEAUTY**





**Robert Tippitt**

**HANDSOME**





Herbie -  
It has really been great having your  
friendship this year. I have enjoyed  
talking to you when we did and I  
certainly hope a good friendship  
will remain between us no matter  
what others say - I guess it's best  
to believe what you find out  
for yourself to be true.  
I know what you find out  
with the friendship as Herbie  
can make that so for you  
are a great person.  
Love,  
Nancy

**Nancy Wilson**

**BEAUTY**





**Courtland Gray**

**HANDSOME**





**Dolly Bassett**

BEAUTY





**Bill Becton**  
**HANDSOME**





**MOST TALENTED** .....

**Jim Guthrie**  
**Marie Nelson**





**MOST ATHLETIC . . .**

**Neal Gunn  
Brenda Cobb**





*Be good and  
don't ever forget  
me - O. K.  
Love,  
Nancy*

**FRIENDLIEST . . .**

**Joey McGinn  
Nancy Wilson**





WITTIEST . . .

Sperry Brown  
Sandy Holloway





**HEARTBREAKER AND FLIRT . . .**

**Bill Becton  
Charlotte Ford**





**JUNIOR FAVORITES . . .**

**Margaret Moore  
Robert Payne  
Bunny Buckner  
Ralph Roberts**





NANCY CROSSLAND and JIMMY HOWARD

## ***Sophomore Favorites***

KATHY McSHERRY and TOMMY SPARKS







LEE BAKER and JUDY SEARCY

## ***Freshman Favorites***

FREDDIE MOSES and JAN REAGAN







DON KURTZ—Social Studies

JUDY PORT—Science



**WHO'S**  
**in Academic**



**WHO**  
**Work**

BETTIE SUTTON—Vocational Studies

TOMMY RITTER—The Arts

LEA THOMPSON—Language







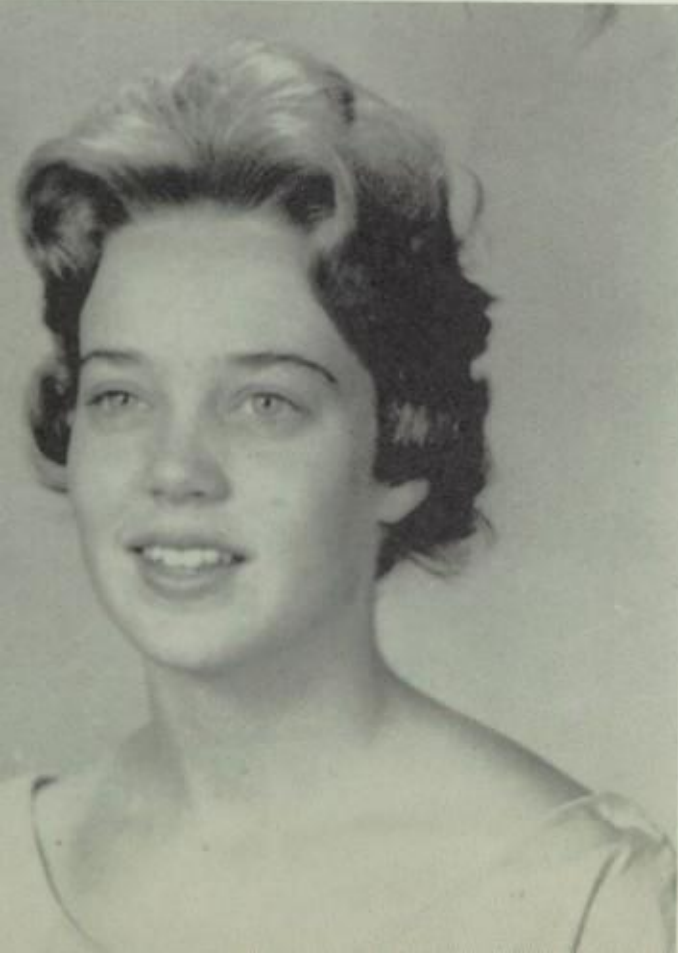
BEV FRANKS  
Student Council



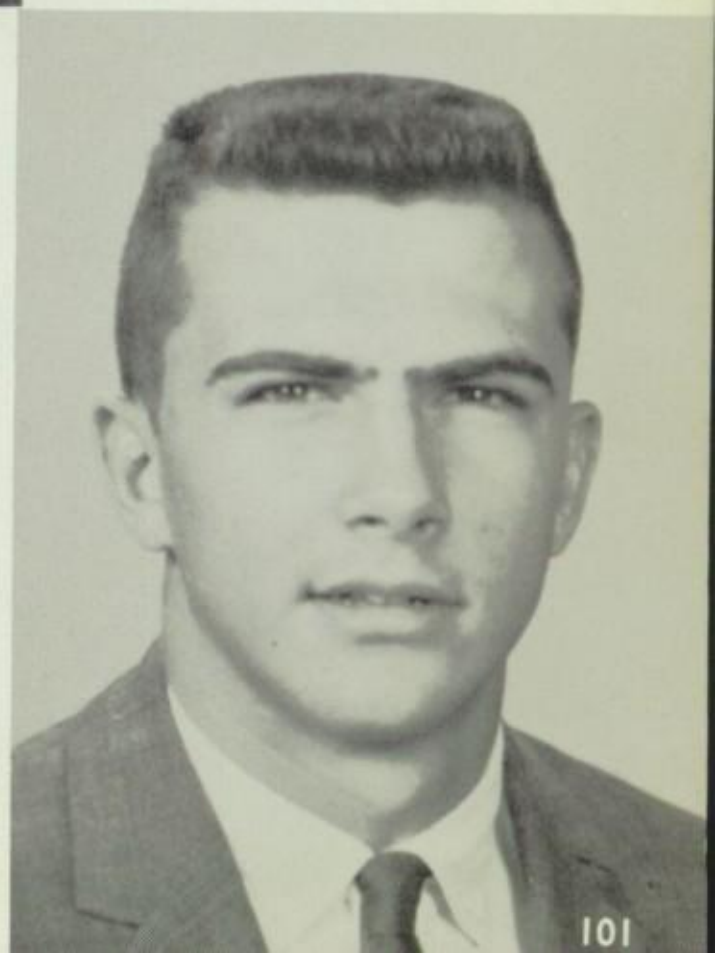
JACK BURTON  
Key Club



JOEY MCGINN  
Sizzler



LINDA BIRD  
Tigerettes



NEAL GUNN  
Athletics

**WHO'S**  
*in Extracurricular*

**WHO**  
*Activities*



# *Mr. and Miss Marroyan*

NOMINATED AND ELECTED BY THE YEARBOOK STAFF



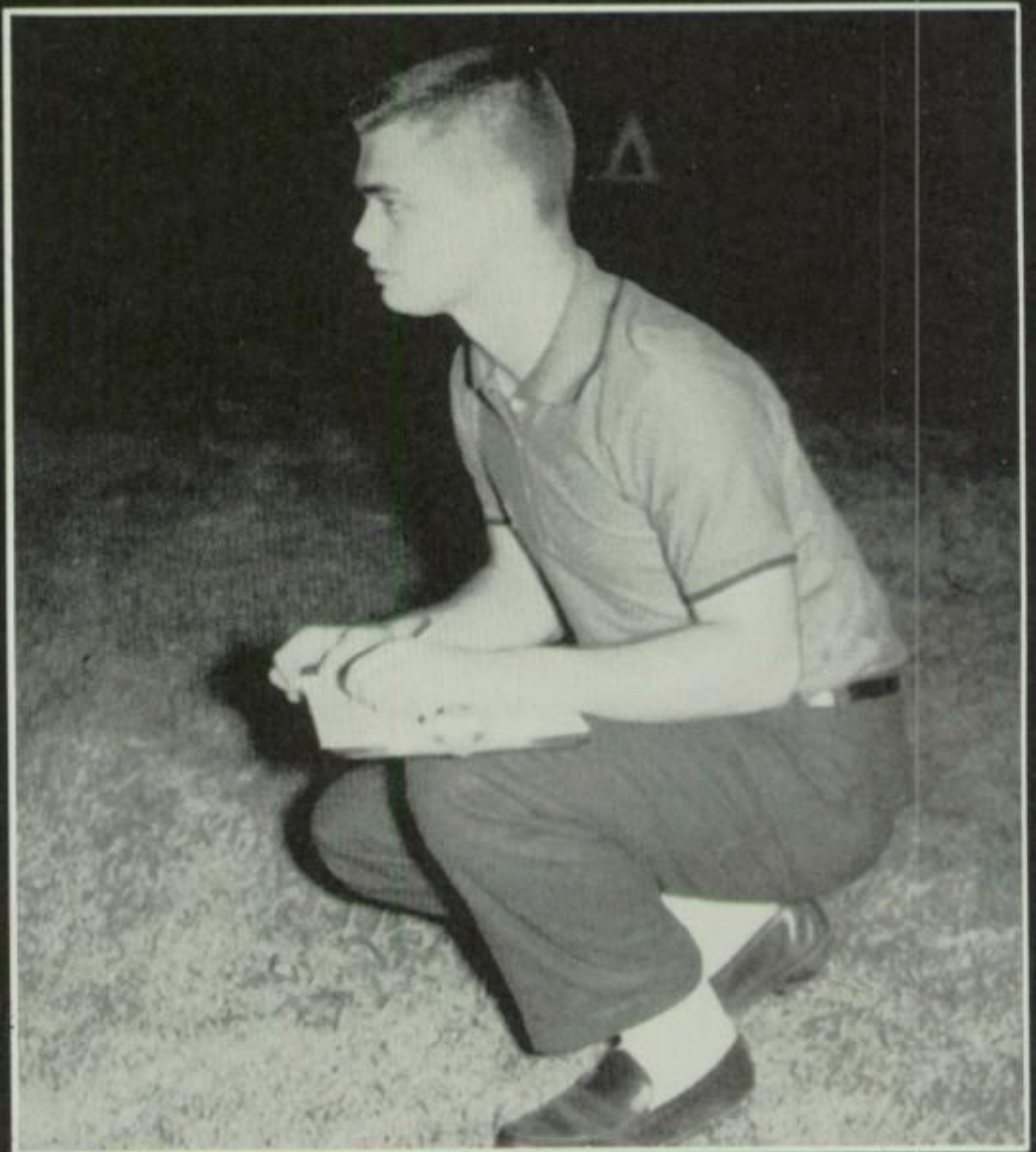




**COURTLAND GRAY and JANE LOKER**



## **Chapter V**



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# **ATHLETICS**





## 1960 BI-DISTRICT



The Neville High School coaching staff, from left to right, is as follows: Mr. Charles Brown, Mr. Buck Stewart, Mr. Bill Ruple, Head coach; Mr. George Davis, and Mr. Chic Childress.





## CHAMPIONS



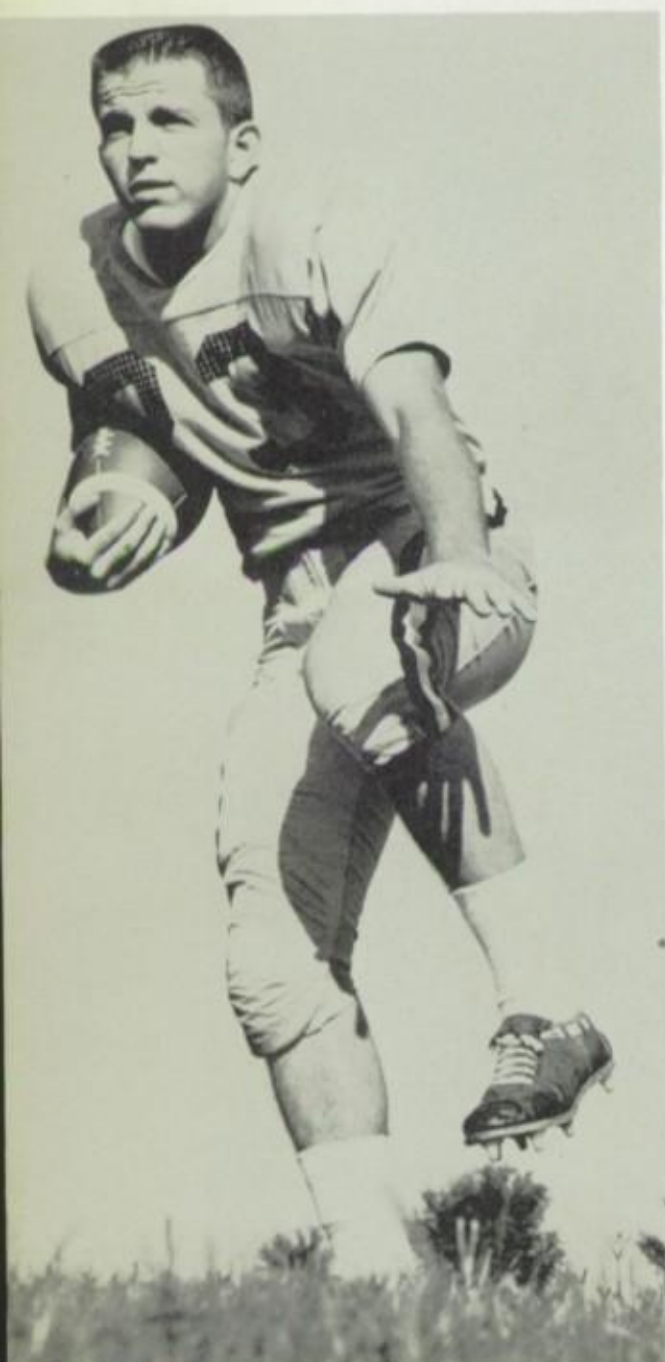
The Neville High School managers, from left to right, are as follows: Randy Lewis, Glen Savage, and Jimmy Head.





Gunn picks up three.

## NEVILLE 21 WEST MONROE 0



BILL BECTON, Halfback  
*All-District*

Neville's inexperienced Tigers upset the highly favored West Monroe Rebels 21-0 in the season opener at Rebel Stadium before an overflow crowd. Ralph Roberts opened the scoring for the Tigers by blasting six yards off tackle in the opening period to climax a 90-yard march. Bev Franks swept right end for the PAT; Neal Gunn brought the crowd to their feet in the third period with a brilliant 83-yard punt return. For this second Tiger TD Bill Becton ran the PAT and Sam Walker put the icing on the cake in the final frame by cracking seven yards off tackle for the third and final touchdown; Becton ran his second PAT.

Neville had 220 yards rushing to the Rebel's 203, but surprisingly enough, the Rebels had thirteen first downs to Neville's ten. The Tigers began the 1960 season right where they left off in 1959 and it was the thirteenth straight win for the state No. 1 AA team.



NEAL GUNN, Halfback  
*All-District, All-State 1st Team  
All-Southern  
All-American—Honorable Mention*



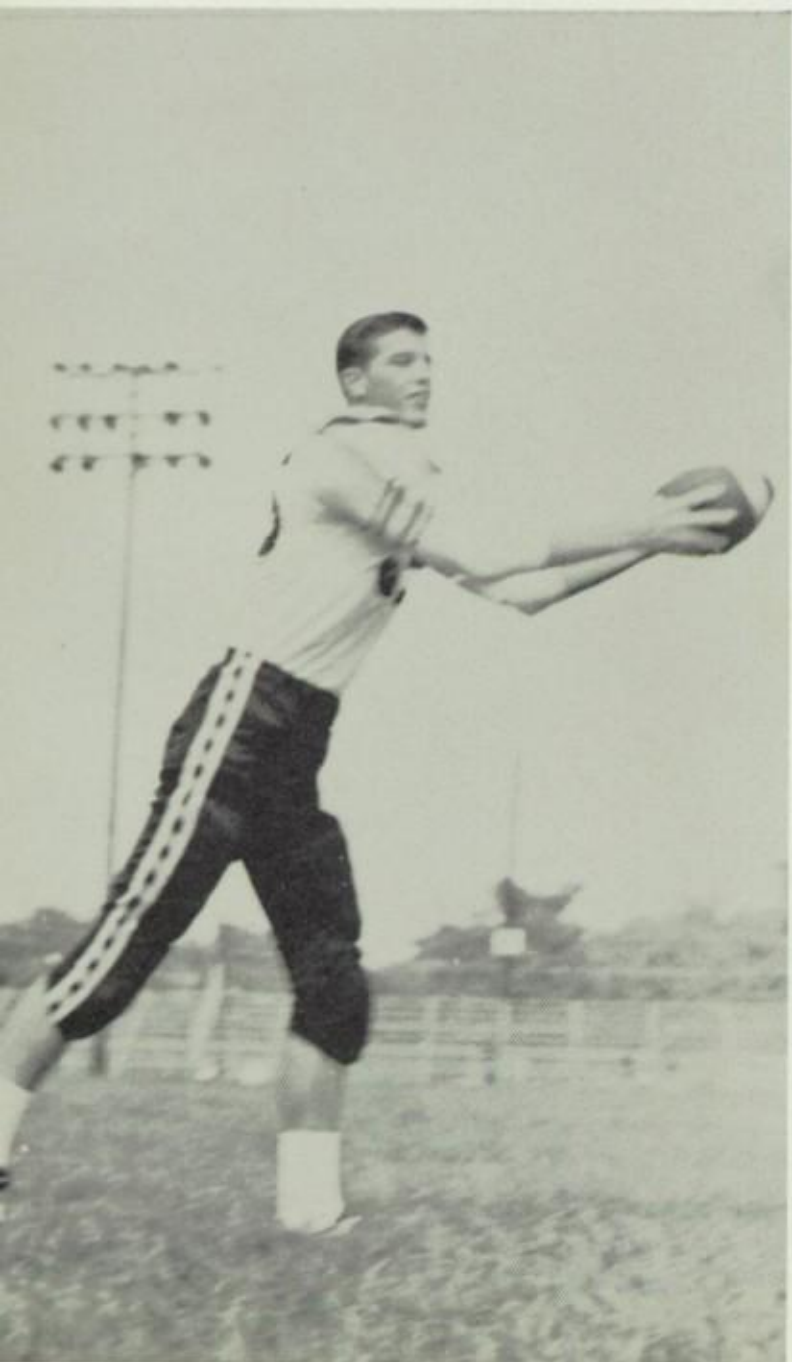


Becton scores six.



DON BRANT, Halfback

## NEVILLE 26 BASTROP 0



BUNZY BRANT, End

Neville, led by Bev Franks and Neal Gunn, made AAA Bastrop their fourteenth consecutive victim in the Tigers first home game of the season. Franks galloped 55 yards in the opening minutes of play for the first score of the game; the PAT was no good. Neal Gunn scored the second Tigers touchdown on a 45 yard pass interception and he also ran for the extra point. Just before the half ended, Gunn scored his second TD on a five-yard plunge. Bill Becton ran the PAT and Robert Payne's 49-yard punt return set up the final tally. Franks swept four yards around end for the TD, but the PAT was no good. Neville gained 230 yards to Bastrop's 92. At this point Neville was unscored upon, and rated the top team in the state.



BOB DUNCAN, Tackle



# NEVILLE 38 HAYNESVILLE 0



RALPH ROBERTS, Fullback

Neville's first road trip was a great success as the Tigers toppled Haynesville 38-0 and was the fifteenth straight victory for Neville. Six different players scored for Neville, but Neal Gunn also made two extra points. The five other Tigers that scored were as follows: Bev Franks, Bill Becton, Jerry Jones, Courtland Gray (pass from Don Saget), and Jimmy Howard. Neville scored three touchdowns on the first seven plays it ran; the Tigers gained 421 yards to the Golden Tornadoes 117. The line play was, as usual, strong for the Tigers in their first district win.



SAM WALKER, Fullback

Tigers score again!





# NEVILLE 53 FARMERVILLE 0



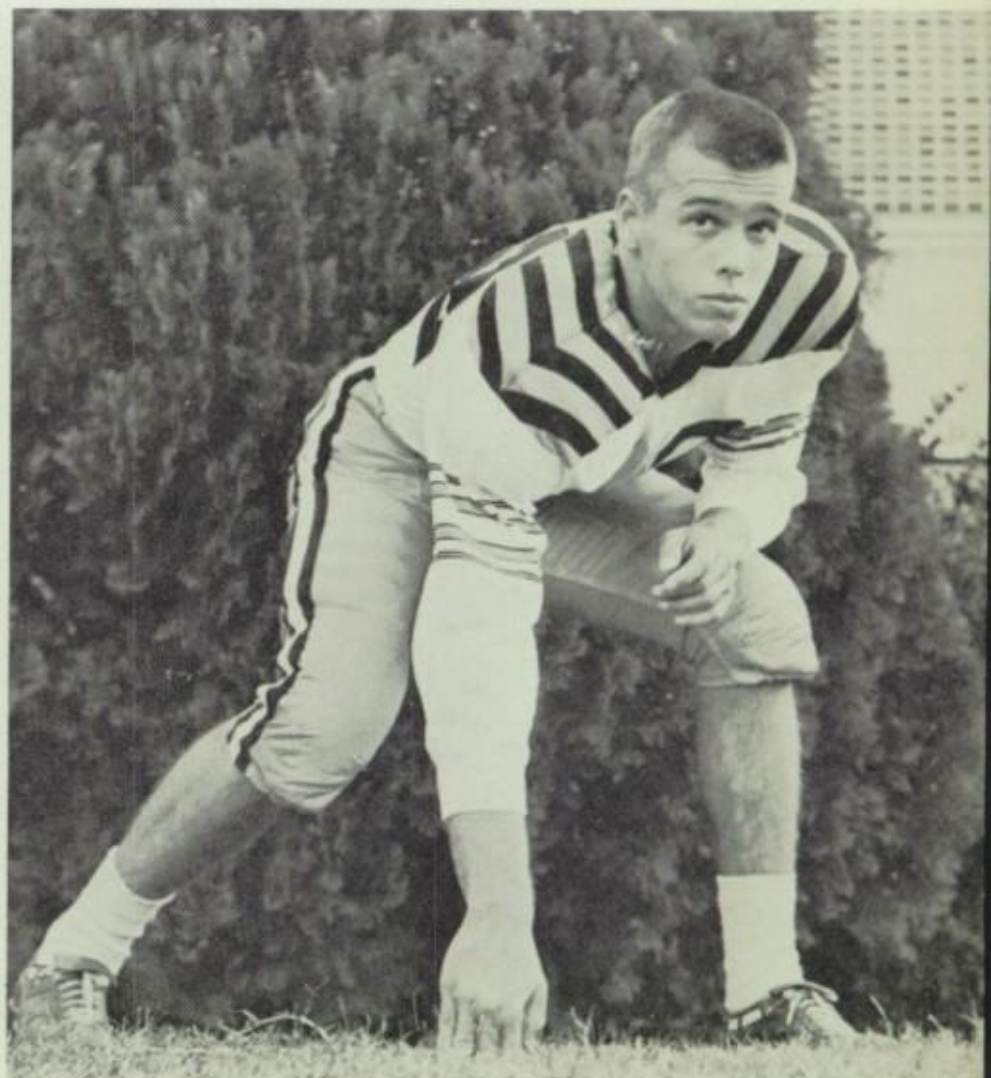
FREDDIE HADDAD, Halfback

Another interception?

Neville's Homecoming was a smashing success as the Tigers rolled to their sixteenth straight win with a very easy 53-0 rout of hapless Farmerville. Neal Gunn raced 60-yards on the first play from scrimmage for the first Tiger score. Two minutes later Bill Becton galloped 72 yards for the second TD. Sub QB Jerry Jones went fifteen yards to make it 20-0 by the end of the first period. Sam Walker went one yard, Freddie Haddad swept end for 12 yards and third string QB Don Saget connected with Jimmy Howard on a 66-yard touchdown pass to make it 40-0 at the half. Don Brant sprinted 37 yards and Mike Wilson burst off tackle 34 yards to end the scoring for the night. Robert Payne kicked three extra points and Sperry Brown the last. Neville gained the almost unbelievable total of 410 yards rushing to the Farmers 57.



JIMMY HOWARD, Halfback



COURTLAND GRAY, Halfback



# NEVILLE 38 JONESBORO-HODGE 0



ROBERT TURNER, Guard  
*All-District, All-State 2nd Team*

Neville easily defeated district 2-AA rival, Jonesboro-Hodge, 38-0 in posting their seventeenth straight victory and fifth shutout. Ralph Roberts streaked 35 yards for the first Neville touchdown, Bill Becton followed with a 60-yard TD gallop; Neal Gunrr went six yards into the end zone and Roberts charged for seven and another score, as Neville rolled up a 24-0 halftime lead. In the second half reserve halfback, Courtland Gray, sprinted 21 yards for a touchdown, and Freddie Haddad streaked 58 yards to cap the rout. Robert Payne and Sam Walker ran for the two extra points. Bob Duncan was the Tiger's outstanding lineman of the game. Neville gained 432 yards to J-H's 98, and the Tigers collected 15 first downs to the Jackson Parish crew's 5. Now only Ruston stood in the way of Neville for the district crown and another crack at the state AA championship.



BILLY LaFRANCE, Guard

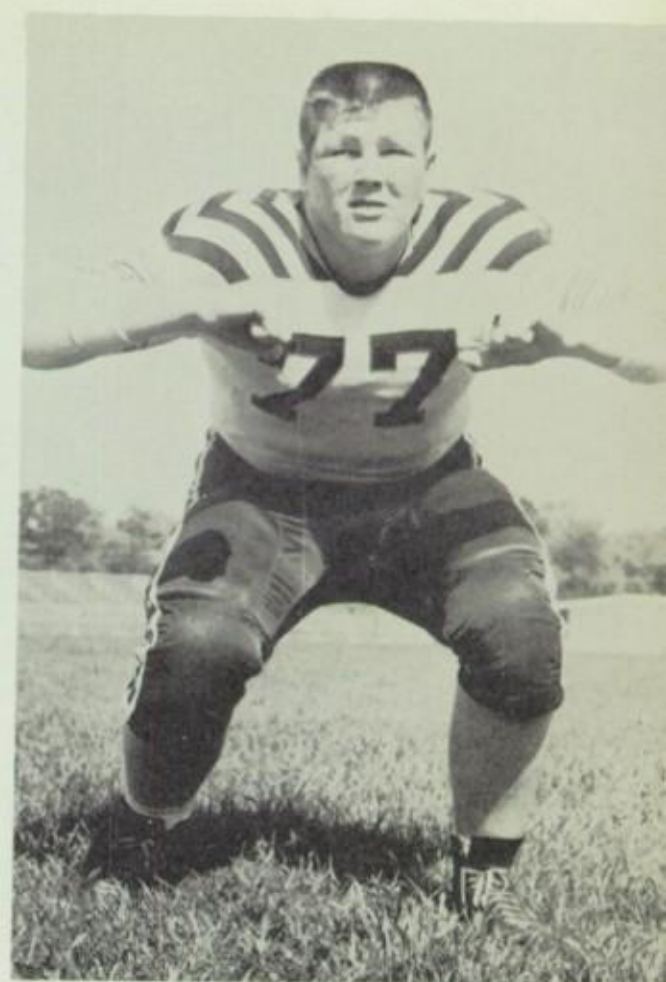
Brown moves in.







Who's got who?



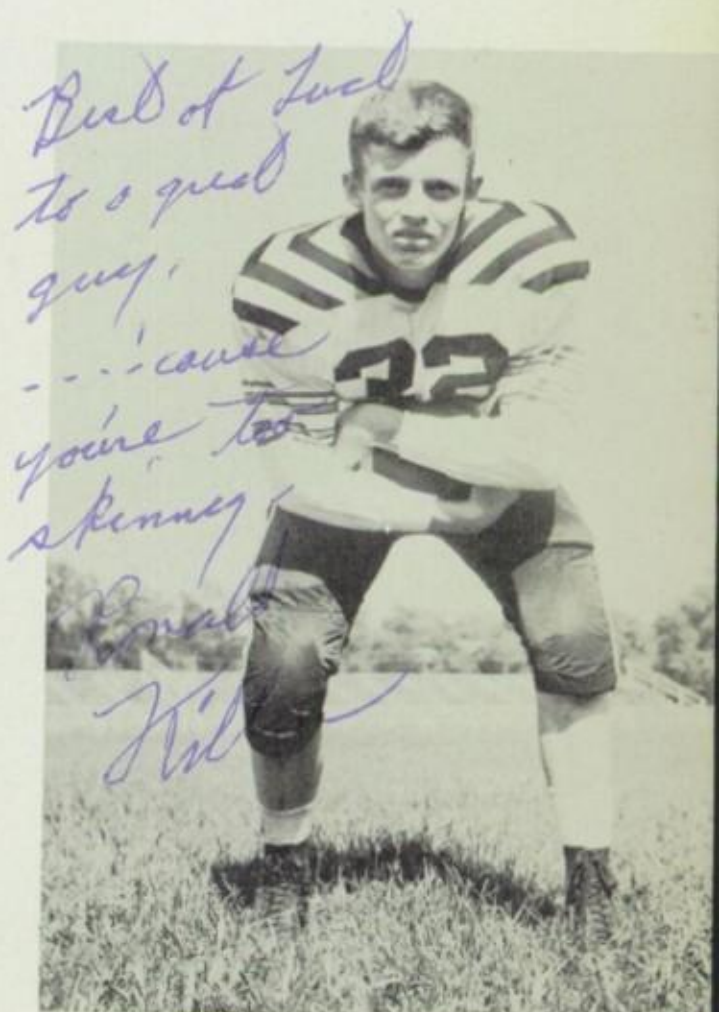
JOHN SEGARS, Tackle

## NEVILLE 39 RUSTON 13



STEVE JEFFERSON, Guard

Neville won the district title by downing Ruston 39-13 as sub halfback, Freddie Haddad, led the way. Haddad gathered in a pass from Bev Franks for a 27 yard touchdown play just before the half ended, and then put the game out of reach with a brilliant 90 yard kickoff return early in the final frame. Bill Becton went six yards for the first Tiger touchdown, and fellow halfback Neal Gunn scooted seven yards for the second Neville touchdown. Ronnie Graham, a pain in the neck for the Tigers all the night long, scored both the Bearcats touchdowns with two-yard plunges. Gunn scored the Tigers fourth touchdown just after the half on a 53-yard end sweep, and Robert Payne scored Neville's final touchdown with a four yard run. The Forsythe Avenue boys boasted 289 yards rushing to the Bearcat's 172. Neville was the first team in the state to win a district title and at this point in the season was picked as easy repeaters to take the state AA crown. However, Ruston was the first team to score a point on the Tigers up to this encounter.



RONALD KILLEN, End





Jump!

## NEVILLE 13 TALLULAH 12

Neville's star halfback, Neal Gunn, smashed into the end zone for the winning extra point in the final minutes of the game to keep the Tigers' winning streak at nineteen in a row. Neville got off to a fast start with Gunn's fumbling the ball into the end zone but alert Ralph Roberts fell on it for the Tigers first score in the opening minutes of play. The Tallulah Trojans, a team Neville will long remember, scored on a four-down touchdown pass of 11 yards from Truman Collins to Jerry Fairbanks, and on Wayne Noland's six yard burst off tackle. With the ball at midfield after a Tallulah punt, late in the game, Gunn and Bill Becton got the winning drive going. Becton scored from the five and then came Gunn's big extra point. The Tigers from Monroe had 262 yards rushing to Tallulah's 152, and Neville also led in first downs, 10 to 7. Sperry Brown could very easily be credited with the victory, because he blocked both the Trojan's extra point attempts.



JACK BURTON, Tackle  
*All-District, All-State Honorable Mention*



JACK YOUNGBLOOD, Tackle





Big John leads.



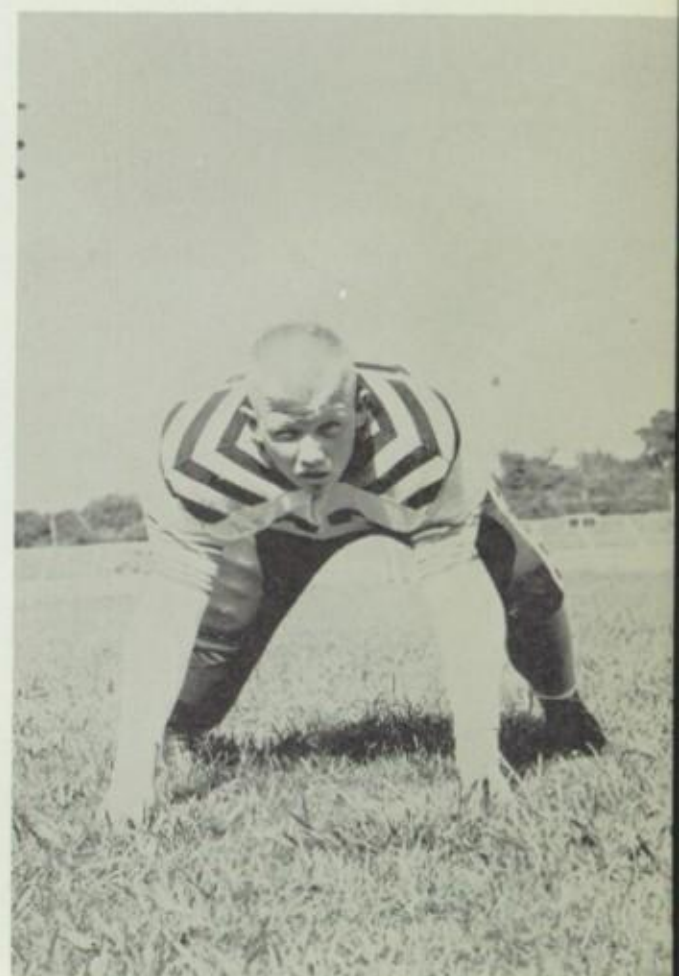
ROBERT PAYNE, Halfback

## NEVILLE 54 BAKER 26

Neville came to life in the second half to score 41 points and completely rout Baker in the Buffalo's homecoming. Courtland and Gray ran six yards in the initial period to score the Tigers first TD, but Baker tied it up when Ed Herring scored from three yards out. Herring put the Buffalos out in front by going one yard in the second quarter. Bill Becton put the Tigers back in the game with a 12 yard run, and again Baker came back to go ahead as Bower barreled six yards for the go-ahead touchdown. Baker, a heavy underdog, had a 20-13 lead at halftime. It was all Neville in the second with Neal Gunn scoring three times, while Freddie Haddad, Bev Franks and Don Brant got one apiece. Gunn ran up the amazing total of 228 yards in 10 carries, an average of 22.8 yards per try. Neville, while rolling to its twentieth victory in a row, gained 463 yards rushing. At this point only cross-town rival, Ouachita, stood in the way of a second straight unbeaten regular season for the Tigers.



DON SAGET, Quarterback



NICK WHITE, Guard



# NEVILLE 16 OUACHITA 0

Neville defeated cross-town rival, Ouachita, for the eleventh year in a row, in a surprisingly hard fought game. Bev Franks got the Tigers off to their twenty-first straight victory in the second quarter with a 45 yard end sweep; Neal Gunn ran the extra point. The Tigers pulled a trick play in the third period for their second touchdown. Franks tossed a jump pass to Sperry Brown, who in turn lateraled back to Ralph Roberts who raced into the end zone untouched, and Bill Becton ran the extra point. The final two points for Neville came late in the game on a blocked punt, which was recovered by Becton outside the end zone. The Tigers were held to 134 yards rushing compared to OPHS' 101 yards. The Lions had the edge in first downs, 8 to 3. Neville was now set for the state AA playoffs



SPERRY BROWN, End  
*All-District, All-State Honorable Mention*



HERCHEL WALKER, End

Watch out, Roberts!



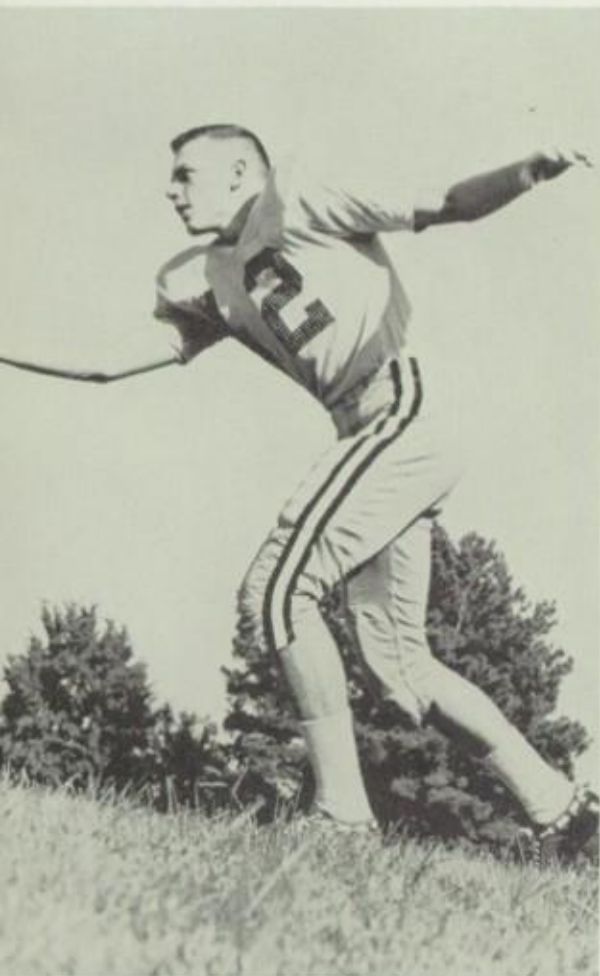




Franks sweeps left end

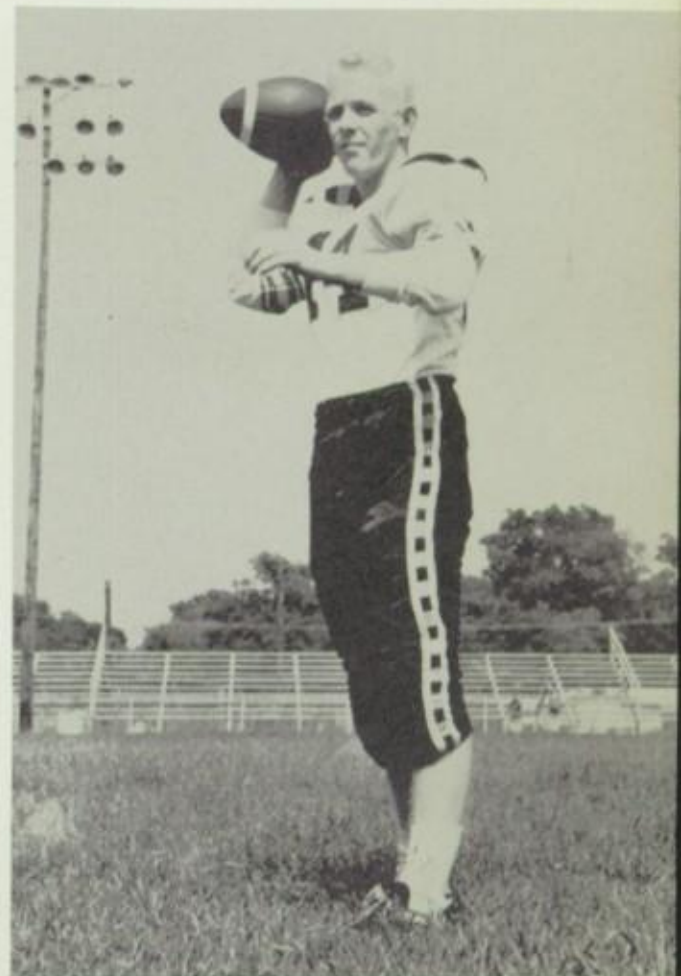
## NEVILLE 27 MINDEN 0

### BI-DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP



BEV FRANKS, Quarterback  
*All-District, All-State 2nd Team*

Neville captured the bi-district championship with a convincing 27-0 triumph over Minden's Crimson Tide at Louisiana Tech Stadium in Ruston. The Tigers scored every time they had the ball in the first half. Bev Franks made the first Tiger touchdown on a 19 yard end sweep. Franks also ran the point after touchdown. A 30-yard pass from Franks to end Sperry Brown set up the second touchdown. Bill Becton went five yards off tackle to make the score 13-0 and Neal Gunn's run for the PAT was short. Franks, who played one of his best games, went in from two yards out for the third TD. Franks passed to Herschel Walker for the extra point. Franks passed 30 yards to Becton for the final tally and Freddie Haddad ran the PAT. Neville advanced to the state semi-finals with this victory.



JERRY JONES, Quarterback



# NEVILLE 19 PINEVILLE 20

## NORTH LOUISIANA CHAMPIONSHIP

### STATE AA SEMI-FINALS

All good things must come to an end and Pineville's virtually one-man team, David Corley, put an end to Neville's dreams of a second straight state title. Corley scored all the Pineville points, and played an outstanding game on defense. Behind 7-0 midway in the second period Ralph Roberts put the Tigers back in the game with a three yard burst off tackle for the first Neville touchdown, but the PAT was no god. Just before the half All-Stater, Neal Gunn, gave Neville a 12-7 halftime as he bulled into the end zone. Corley rambled 18 yards early in the third period, but Freddie Haddad gave the Tigers the lead again with an 82-yard run. Corley powered his way into the end zone in the final period to tie the score at 19-19. Corley then ran for the extra point to win the game. Pineville easily won the state title a week later. Before the season Neville was not considered to win the district title, but teamwork, desire and a great coaching job by Bill Ruple, Charlie Brown and Chick Childress carried the Tigers into the state playoffs. This game also broke the 'Tigers' winning streak of 22 straight games.



TOM SCOTT, Center



TOM SPARKS, Center

Becton and Turner go to work.





# FIRST OFFENSIVE UNIT



# FIRST DEFENSIVE UNIT





# 1960 HOMECOMING QUEEN

## BUNNY CANNON



### HOMECOMING AT NEVILLE

Homecoming at Neville is a gala occasion which rolls around annually. It is a time when the football team elects a queen to reign over the festivities, a maid of honor and two additional maids. All Neville grads and friends are especially urged to attend the homecoming game and watch the parade which takes place the preceding afternoon in downtown Monroe. The climax of the Homecoming Day is the varsity grid encounter in Tiger stadium with the pre-game ceremonies for the crowning of the Homecoming Queen for the year and the recognition of the rest of the court.



## 1960 HOMECOMING COURT



## HOMECOMING PARADE



## MR. H. J. CASSANOVA, NEVILLE FOOTBALL MOVIE PHOTOGRAPHER





# VARSITY CHEERLEADERS



Left to right, STANDING: Teddy Dixon, Sandy Holloway, and Bunny Cannon. Left to right, SEATED: Kay Snellings, Nancy Wilson, and Jan West.

One of the greatest ambitions of most Neville girls is to become a Tiger Cheerleader. Candidates practice in the Spring and appear before the student body in a sort of audition. The general student body votes on six girls to fill the bill. After the students are elected, they practice during the summer, often going to cheerleader camp. The cheerleaders select their own uniforms; the display of them is a great surprise before the first Tiger football game. During the regular football season and during playoff games the cheerleaders make colorful posters for the lobby and perform other spirited services for the football team. For years there were but four cheerleaders, but in 1954 two more added to the list, making the total six, the present number. Often freshman cheerleaders move up to the varsity ranks a few years later. Miss Jane Whittington has sponsored the varsity cheerleaders since 1956; she is the first person to occupy this directive position.



# FRESHMAN FOOTBALL

The 1960 Frosh Squad



Freshman football has for many years at Neville been a stepping stone to higher Tiger football ranks, usually the varsity B team. However, some of the frosh prospects move directly to the varsity squad, itself; seldom does a freshman in high school play varsity football. There is a great deal of spirit and considerable recognition of achievement present in freshman football. The cheerleaders pictured below are responsible for much of this spirit.

## FRESHMAN CHEERLEADERS



The 1960-61 freshman cheerleaders are from left to right: Jan Reagan, Judy Searcy, Sally Ensminger, Susan Sherrouse, Amanda Cobb, Arden Anders.

These young ladies come to Neville from various junior high schools of the city, usually city schools, however. At Neville they united themselves for the purpose of creating spirit for the freshman football team by leading cheers at games and pep assemblies. As is the case of the varsity cheerleaders, these girls are elected to their positions by their fellow students; however, only the freshman class votes for freshman cheerleaders, instead of the entire student body as is the case of the varsity girls.



# 1960 FOOTBALL BANQUET



Those who received awards are from left to right: Bev Franks, Most Valuable Player, (All-State Certificate) Robert Payne, Sportsmanship Award; Neal Gunn, Best Back (All-State Certificate); Bill LaFrance, Most Improved Lineman; Bill Becton, Most Improved Back; Robert Turner, Best Lineman; (All-State Certificate) Jack Burton, Scholastic Award; Sperry Brown, Best Blocker.

On January 23 the annual Neville Tiger varsity football banquet was held in the school cafeteria, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Head Grid Coach, Bill Ruple presided at the gala affair, introducing honored guests, including former Neville footballers, the NHS faculty, Monroe City School administrators, the coaching staff members and their wives, special football benefactors. The climax of the banquet was the presentation of awards to those outstanding individuals of the Neville grid team. Although, obviously, everyone could not receive an award, all members of the 1960 Tiger squad were highly praised for jobs well done.

## SPECIAL NOTE ON SPRING SPORTS

Again, this year, it has been decided to include only football, and basketball coverage in the 1961 Monroyan. Since the final deadline for the publication was February 1, it was naturally impossible to properly represent baseball, track and other spring sports. It was deemed wiser to wait and cover these sports in a comprehensive manner in next year's Monroyan as a part of the Spring Activities Section. We trust this arrangement will again meet your approval.

The Monroyan Staff



## BOYS BASKETBALL

Boys' basketball has shown a great improvement over the past season with more veteran players gracing Coach George Davis' squad; however, next year's squad will boast even more seasoned veterans and should prove to be even better than the 1960-61 aggregation. The Nevillites again sponsored an immensely successful invitational tournament in December and participated in all local invitational meets as well as several out of town affairs. Since the season was still in progress when this book went to press, it was deemed wise not include partial season's results but, instead, publish the complete year's record in an edition of the *Sizzler* to appear after the completion of basketball play.



Members of the 1960-61 varsity basketball squad are as follows from left to right: Randall Fallin, Eddie Kincaid, Mike Fetting, Gary Futch, Ray Baker, Frank Keith, Truett Nolan, Cookie Cookston, Butch Cerniglia, Bill Ethridge, Donald Causey.

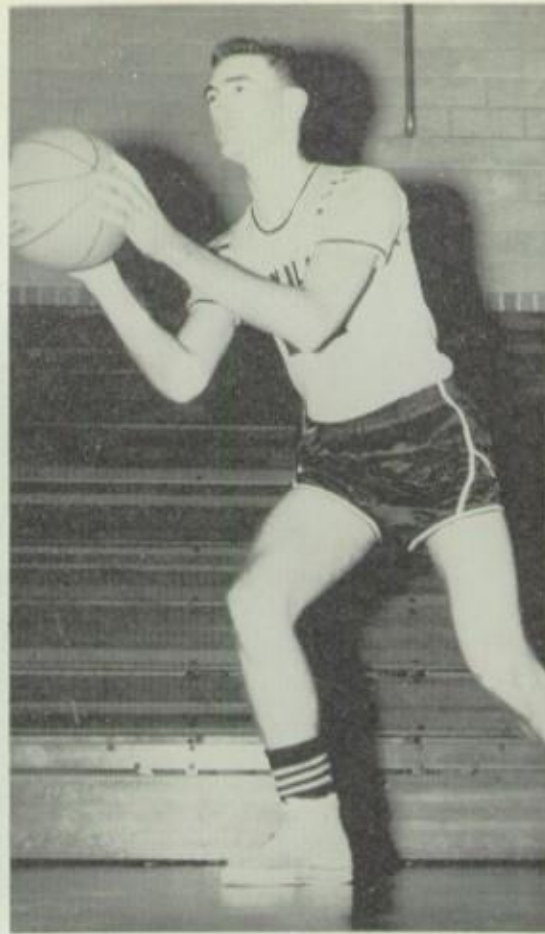




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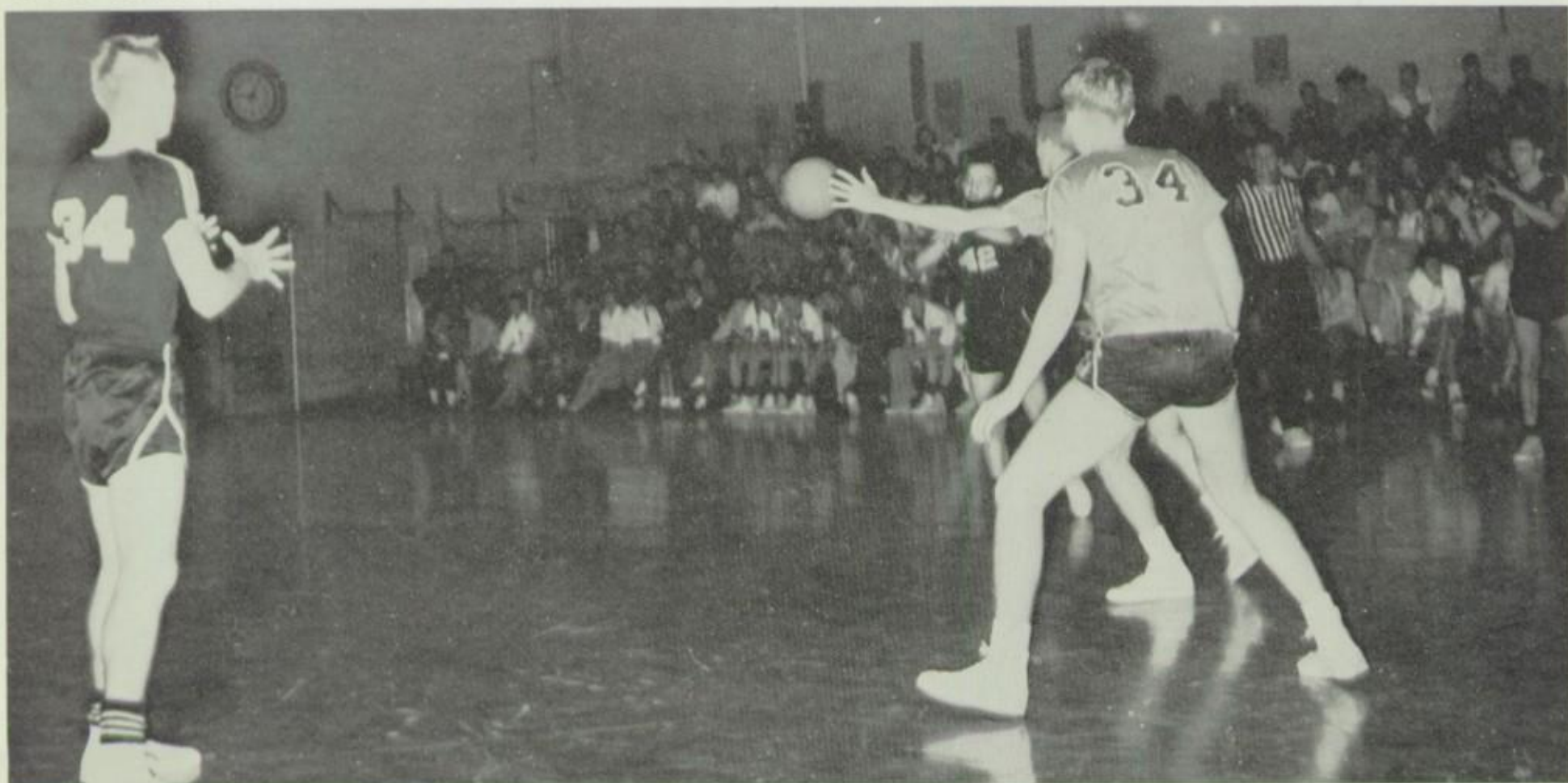
RANDALL FALLIN



FRANK KEITH



COOKIE COOKSTON



BILL ETHRIDGE



GARY FUTCH



MIKE FETTINGER





RAY BAKER



TRUETT NOLAN



BUTCH CERNIGLIA



DONALD CAUSEY



NEAL GUNN



COACH GEORGE DAVIS



## FRESHMAN CAGERS



From left to right, KNEELING: Malcolm Smith, Jim Caverlee, Richard Moore, Nickie Mirza, Johnny Fairbanks, Lee Baker, Bill Hochstetter. STANDING: Walter Causey, Walter Lowery, Don Johnson, Bill Irvin, John Garrett, Ronnie Factor, and Joe Canal. Mr. Buck Stewart is the Frosh boys coach.

## KLIC SPORTSCASTING CREW



Ever since Radio Station, KLIC went on the air in 1950, this organization has broadcast every Neville football game at home and out of town (except a few out of towners for which it was refused broadcasting right). Regardless of the season prospects, the distance of the game from Monroe, or other obstacles, still KLIC has been there faithfully describing the play by play, live, in order that fans unable to attend the game might be able to, at least, to listen to it. Shown above, from left to right, in the Neville press box during an actual sportscast are Dr. Frank P. Cerniglia, KLIC owner, John Lacy, original sportscaster since 1950, and Bobby Cerniglia, the owner's son.



## GIRLS BASKETBALL

Neville's girls basketball team also boasts a number of veteran players on this year's squad. The young ladies co-sponsored the successful annual Neville Invitational Basketball Tournament again this season. Coach Babs Lee's cagers also played in all local tournaments and a number of out of town meets as well, meeting great success in these ventures. Girls basketball has definitely taken a turn for the better since Miss Lee came to Neville as head coach several years ago; proof of this is the fine finish the girls usually make each season; the climax of the girls coach's work was the winning of two state championships in a row, 1958 and 1959. As was the case of the boys cagers, the girls' season record will also appear in a later edition of the Sizzler since the season was not completed when this yearbook went to press.



Members of the 1960-61 squad are left to right, STANDING: Jo Ann Genusa, Carol Koontz, June Apgar, Heidi Rowan, Kathy McSherry, Polly Parrish, Bunny Buckner, Kay Sanchez, Lea Thompson. KNEELING: Carol Bryan, Teddy Dixon, Nancy Shaw, Brenda Cobb, Diane LaGrange.





CAROL BRYAN



TEDDY DIXION



NANCY SHAW



BRENDA COBB



DIANE LaGRANGE



CAROL KOONTZ







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KAY SANCHEZ

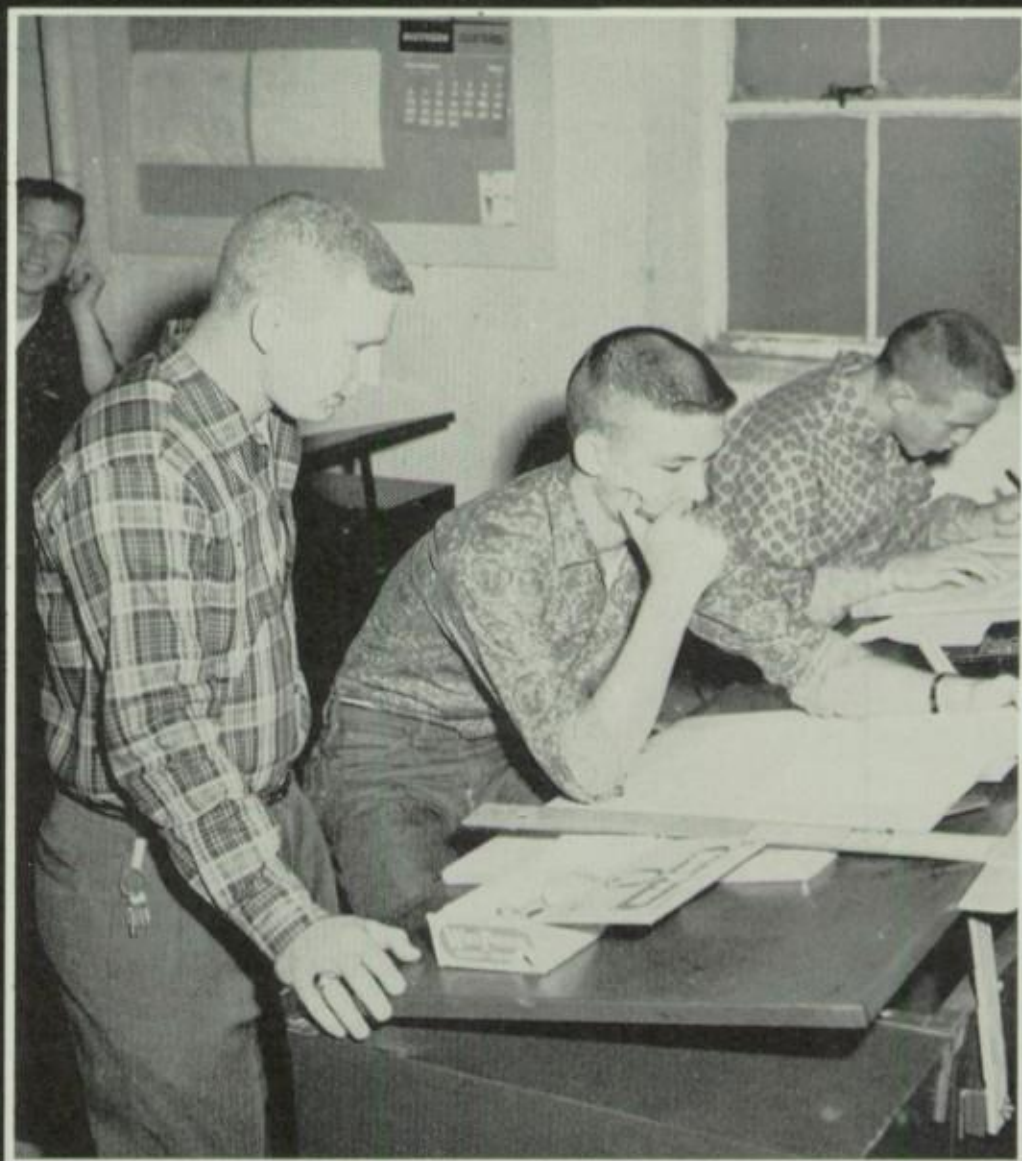


### NEVILLE FRESHMAN GIRLS' SQUAD

KNEELING, left to right are Karen Crow, Gail Kelley, Polly Johnson, Susan Sherrouse, Sally Ensminger. STANDING, left to right: Jan Reagan, Jill Marx, Barbara Masur, Becky Middleton, Carolyn Courson, Pat Ayres, Mickie Varnado and Barbara Buckner. Miss Lou Ann Boyd is the frosh girls coach this year.



## **Chapter VI**



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# **CLASSES**



# Senior Class Officers



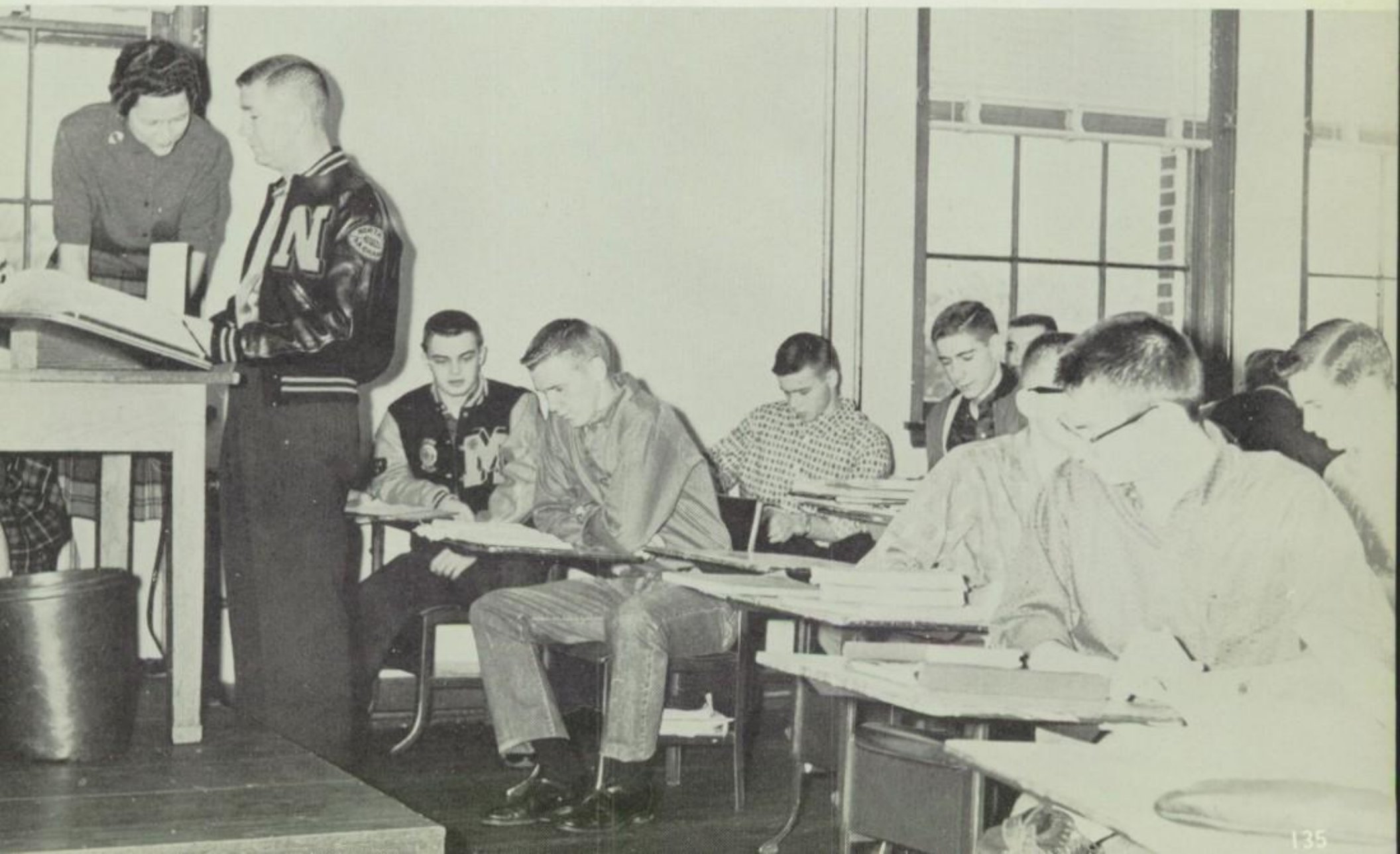
FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: Jack Burton, Boys' Vice President; Courtland Gray, President; Lea Thompson, Girls' Vice President; Linda Lee Woods, Secretary-Treasurer.



## ***The Senior Class Sponsors***



## ***Checking the Class Roll in Senior Homeroom***







# JAN ADCOCK

Tigerettes, Flagbearer; Tiger Cubs; Safety Council, Secretary; Red Cross; Thespians; Debate Team; Annual Staff.

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# BILL BECTON

FBLA; Thespians; Hi-Y; Key Club; Student Council, Sergeant-at-Arms; Freshman and Sophomore Homeroom President; Annual Staff, Assistant Sports Ed; Junior Assembly; Football, three-year letterman; Frosh football; Track; Senior Class Handsome; Glee Club; Letterman's Club; Office Staff; Senior Class "Heartbreaker."

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Tigerettes, Squad Leader; Tiger Cubs; FHA; FBLA; Red Cross; Thespians; Y Teens; Junior Assembly; Glee Club, Girls' Chorus.



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Transfer Student.

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# FRANKLIN BOYD

# LINDA BRADLEY

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### KAY BRANCH

Tigerettes; Tiger Cubs; Varsity Cheerleader; FHA, Parish Secretary; FBLA; Safety Council; Red Cross, Secretary; Y-Teens; Girls' State; Student Council; Junior Homeroom Secretary; Junior Assembly; Senior Class Beauty; Sophomore Favorite; Homecoming Court, Maid of Honor; Glee Club, President; Junior Executive Committee.

### SPERRY BROWN

Hi-Y; Junior Homeroom President; Junior Assembly; Football; Baseball, All-Twin City, All-District, All-State Honorable Mention; Sophomore Favorite; Senior Class Wittiest; Letterman's Club; Ugliest boy, all-district.



### CAROLE BRYAN

Tigerettes; Tiger Cubs; FHA; Medics Club; Thespians; Junior Assembly; Basketball, Co-Captain, Frosh Team, Varsity, All-State second team; Glee Club, Mixed Chorus, Girls' Chorus.

### JACK BURTON

FBLA; Key Club, Treasurer, President, Lt. Governor of District; Student Council; Senior Class Boys' Vice President; Nat'l. Merit Semi-Finalist; Junior Assembly; Football, Frosh, Varsity, two-year letterman; Freshman basketball; Track; Senior Class Most Intellectual; Letterman's Club, All-District.



### LORENE BUSHNELL

FHA; Thespians; Y Teens; Sizzler Staff.

### ALICE BUTLER

Medics Club; Latin Club; JCL; Tigerettes, Squad Leader; Tiger Cubs; Hi-Y; Y-Teen Interclub Council; Y-Teens, Vice President; FBLA, Historian.



### BUNNY CANNON

Tigerettes, Squad Leader; Tiger Cubs; Varsity Cheerleader; FBLA, Treasurer; Red Cross; Thespians; Student Council; Junior Homeroom Vice-President; Junior Assembly; Junior Favorite; Homecoming Court, Queen, Maid.

### SANDRA CARARAS

FBLA; Science Club; Latin Club; Medics Club; Junior Assembly; JCL; Marching and Concert Band.







LENORA CARSO

DONALD CAUSEY  
Basketball; Sophomore Favorite.



JOHN CHRISTIAN

Thespians; Hi-Y; Football, B team;  
Track.

EVA CLARK

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Club.



BRENDA COBB

Tigerettes; Tiger Cubs; FHA; FBLA;  
Y-Teens; Freshman Homeroom Secretary;  
Sophomore Homeroom President; Junior  
Homeroom Secretary; Junior Assembly;  
Basketball, All-State, Frosh, Varsity; Volley-  
ball Team; Senior Class Most Athletic;  
Junior Executive Committee.

CAROL COLE

Tiger Cubs; FHA; FBLA; Red Cross;  
Sophomore Homeroom Vice President;  
Junior Assembly; Basketball; Volleyball  
Team; Sophomore Favorite.



JOE COPELAND

Office Staff; Stage Crew; Band.

JOYCE COULSTON

Junior Assembly; Glee Club, Girls'  
Chorus.







JIM COZINE

Thespians, Boys' State; Freshman football; Office Staff.

SHIRLEY CURRY

FHA; FBLA; Thespians; Y-Teens, Secretary; Junior Homeroom Treasurer.



WILLIAM DICKENS

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TEDDY DIXON

Tigerettes; Tiger Cubs; Varsity Cheerleader; FHA; Safety Council; Latin Club; Girls' State; Student Council; Freshman Homeroom President; Junior Homeroom President; Junior Assembly; Basketball; JCL.



BONNIE DUPUY

RICHARD ELLIS

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### JIM FITCH

Latin Club; Junior Assembly; Stage Crew; Office Staff.

### CHARLOTTE FORD

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### ROSS FORD

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### MARTHA FOSTER

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### BEV. FRANKS

Student Council, President; Quill and Scroll; Key Club, Sergeant-at-Arms; Freshman Homeroom Vice President; Junior Class Vice President; Junior Executive Committee; Annual Staff, Sports Editor, Managing Editor; Sizzler Staff, Co-Editor, Printing Asst.; Junior Assembly; Football, Frosh, Varsity three-year letterman, Shreveport Journal All-District, A.P. All-District, All-City; All-Monrohan; Frosh Basketball; Track; Junior Class Favorite; Letterman's Club; Mr. Neville High School; School Hi-Lites; Office Staff; Hi-Y.

### BILL FRIZELL

Science Club, Sergeant-at-Arms; Latin Club; Thespians; Student Council; Junior Assembly; JCL.



### ANN FUTCH

Tigerettes; Tiger Cubs; FHA; Red Cross; Medics Club, President; Library Club; Latin Club; JCL.

### JO ANN GENUSA

Varsity Cheerleader (became inactive); Red Cross; Treasurer; Student Council; Junior Homeroom Secretary; Junior Assembly; Basketball, Frosh Team, Varsity Manager.







### BARBARA GILLILAND

Tigerettes; Tiger Cubs; FHA; Red Cross; Latin Club; Y-Teens; Library Club.

### ANNETTE GRAVES

Latin Club; Medics Club; Sophomore Homeroom Secretary; Junior Assembly; Library Club, President; JCL; Marching, Concert Band.

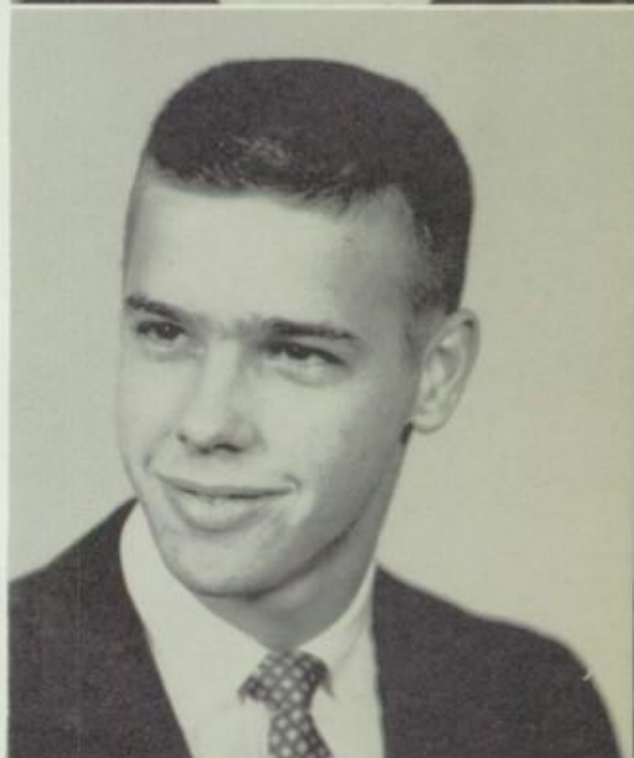


### JERRY GRAVES

Glee Club; All-State Chorus; Marching, Concert Band.

### COURTLAND GRAY

Student Council, Vice President; Senior Class President; Junior Class President; Freshman Homeroom President; Key Club; Latin Club; JCL; Quill and Scroll; Letterman's Club; Office Staff; School Hi-Lites; Junior Assembly; Monroyan Staff, Spring Editor, Organizations Co-Editor, Class Co-Editor; Activities Editor, Class Co-Editor, Sports Assistant Editor, Sizzler, Co-Editor; Senior Class Handsome, Most Likely to Succeed; Junior Favorite; Mr. Monroyan; Red Cross; Football; Track.



### RICHARD GREENE

FBLA; Thespians, Vice President; Hi-Y; Key Club; Junior Assembly; Office Staff; Debate Team; Debate Club.

### SYDNEY GREENBLATT

Tigerettes, Tiger Cubs; FBLA; Safety Council; Red Cross; Girls' State; Junior Homeroom President; Annual Staff; Sizzler Staff; Junior Assembly; Glee Club, Girls' Chorus, Reporter; Junior Executive Committee.



### DALE GUILKEY

Red Cross; Latin Club; Thespians; Junior Assembly; Basketball, Frosh, Varsity; JCL.

### NEAL GUNN

Key Club; Student Council, Sergeant-at-Arms; Freshman Homeroom President; Annual Staff; Football, Freshman, Varsity three-year letterman; All-City, All-State, All-District; Baseball, All-District, All-City; Junior Class Handsome; Senior Class Most Handsome; Sophomore Favorite; Senior Class Most Athletic; Glee Club; Letterman's Club.







### JIM GUTHRIE

Safety Council; Red Cross; Science Club; Latin Club; Quill and Scroll; Thespians; Key Club; Boys' State; Student Council; Annual Staff; Sizzler Staff; Junior Assembly; Senior Class Most Talented; JCL; Marching, Concert, Dance Band.

### SANDRA GUYTON

Red Cross, Secretary-Treasurer, Vice President, President; Student Council; Sophomore Homeroom President; Junior Assembly; JCL; Concert Band, Varsity Band, Honor Band, All-State Band, Marching Band, Drum Major; TV Hi-Lites.



### JAN HALLMARK

FHA; Thespians; Y-Teens; Annual Staff. Transfer Student.

### ELEANOR HARMON

Science Club; Junior Assembly; Concert Band, Marching Band; French Club.



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### TRUDY HASSE

Concert Band; Freshman Homeroom President; FHA; Marching Band; FBLA.

### NELWYN HAYS



### JUDY HESKETH

FBLA.

### CECIL HILL

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### SANDY HOLLOWAY

Varsity Cheerleader; FHA; Red Cross; Freshman Homeroom Secretary; Junior Assembly; Freshman Basketball Team Manager; Senior Class Wittiest; Library Club.

### FREDDIE HOWELL

Thespians; Junior Homeroom Vice President; Annual Staff; Sizzler Staff, Editor; Junior Assembly.



### JIM HUGGINS

Science Club; Latin Club, Sergeant-at-Arms; Hi-Y, Chaplain; Key Club; Junior Assembly; Sophomore Favorite; Office Staff; JCL; Dance, Concert, Marching Band.

### ALICE HUMPHREY

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### LINDA HUMPHRIES

Tigerettes; Tiger Cubs; FHA; Red Cross; Medics Club; Thespians; Y-Teens; Junior Assembly.

### BETTY INABNETT

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### GAIL JOHN

Tigerettes, Secretary, Company Commander; Tiger Cubs; FHA; Red Cross; Girls' State; Student Council, Chaplain; Junior Homeroom President; Junior Assembly; Freshman Favorite; Glee Club, Girls' Chorus; Junior Executive Committee.

### RAMONA JONES

FBLA; Thespians.







**RICKIE KEPNER**

FHA; FBLA; Red Cross; Junior Assembly.

**DIANNE KING**

Tigerettes; Tiger Cubs; FHA; FBLA; Safety Council; Red Cross; Thespians, President; Student Council; Annual Staff; Sizzler Staff; Junior Assembly; Sophomore Favorite; Glee Club; Track Court.



**DONN KURTZ**

Latin Club; Key Club; Boys' State; Junior Assembly; JCL; Marching, Concert, Dance Band.

**MARY LADSHAW**

FHA; Red Cross; Science Club; Latin Club; Thespians; Junior Assembly; JCL; Marching, Concert Band.



**BILL LA FRANCE**

Science Club; Freshman Homeroom Vice President; Football, Freshman, Varsity, two-year letterman; Basketball; Track; Sophomore Favorite; Glee Club; Letterman's Club.

**DIANE LA GRANGE**

Tigerettes, Tiger Cubs; FHA; Red Cross; Medics Club; Thespians; Student Council; Junior Assembly; Basketball, Frosh, Varsity, Captain second team All-State; Debate Club.



**THURMAN LAURET**

Junior Assembly; Transfer Student.

**LEE ANN LEWIS**

Tigerettes, Vice President, Company Commander; Tiger Cubs; FHA; FBLA, Treasurer; Red Cross; Medics Club; Sophomore Homeroom President; Junior Assembly; Homecoming Court, Maid; Glee Club, Mixed Chorus, Girls' Chorus.







### ROBERT LEWIS

Thespians; Junior Homeroom Secretary; Junior Assembly; Football, Frosh, Varsity; Frosh Basketball; Track.

### JANE LOKER

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### ELBERT LOZES

Junior Assembly.

### BRENDA LYONS

Tigerettes; Tiger Cubs; FHA; FBLA; Safety Council; Junior Assembly; Sophomore Favorite; Glee Club.

*Herbert,  
you are a very  
sweet boy with  
a wonderful  
personality. I don't  
know how you ever  
learned to type  
so fast. Stay sweet and  
forget me.  
Brenda  
ΔΒΣ*



### BARBARA McCOY

FBLA; Safety Council; Thespians, Secretary; Y-Teens, Chaplain; Annual Staff, Advertising Manager; Junior Assembly; Glee Club, Secretary, Girls' Chorus, Mixed Chorus, All State Chorus; Debate Team; Debate Club; School Hi-Lites.

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Tigerettes, Squad Leader; Tiger Cubs; FBLA; Red Cross; Latin Club; Y-Teens; Girls' Chorus, All State Chorus, Librarian; JCL.



### DON McELROY

### DIANE McGEE

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JOEY MCGINN

FHA, Boyfriend; Quill and Scroll; Hi-Y; Key Club; Freshman Homeroom Vice President; Annual Staff; Sizzler Staff; Junior Assembly; Football, Frosh, Varsity; Baseball, All-District, All-State, Honorable Mention; Senior Class Friendliest; Letterman's Club; Office Staff.

HAROLD McGRIFF

Red Cross; Science Club.

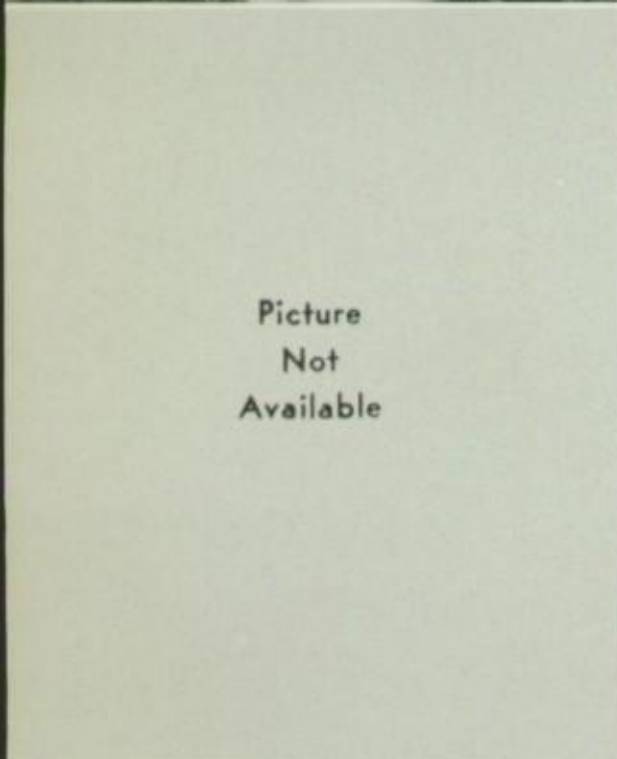


RITA MCKNIGHT

FHA; FBLA; Transfer Student.

LYNN MARX

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CARL MATTHEWS

LINDA MAY



DOLL MOORE

HARRIET MURRAY

Tigerettes, Squad Leader, Junior Commander, Senior Commander; Tiger Cubs; Safety Council; Red Cross, Service Chairman; Latin Club; Junior Homeroom President; Junior Assembly; JCL.







**PATSY MUSSELMAN**  
Transfer Student.

**ALEX MYATT**  
Key Club, Secretary; Latin Club; JCL;  
Boys' State; Science Club, President; Junior  
Assembly; Safety Council.



**MARIE NELSON**  
Tigerettes; Tiger Cubs; Safety Council;  
Latin Club; JCL; Senior Class Most Tal-  
ented; Concert Marching Band.

**DON O'BIER**  
Football, Frosh, Varsity.



**WINSTON ODOM**  
Junior Homeroom President; Basket-  
ball, Manager; Baseball, Manager.

**ANNE PANKEY**  
Tigerettes, Flagbearer; Tiger Cubs;  
FHA; FBLA; Latin Club; Junior Home  
room Secretary; Junior Assembly; Glee  
Club, Mixed Chorus, Girls' Chorus, Li-  
brarian; JCL.



**STEVE PARKER**  
Freshman Football; Baseball, Manager.

**GAY PATTERSON**  
FHA; FBLA; Red Cross; Thespians;  
Y-Teens.







**JIMMY PETERS**

FHA; Safety Council; Junior Assembly; Office Staff.

**PATTY PIERPONT**

FBLA; Safety Council, Vice President; Thespians; Junior Assembly; Glee Club, Girls' Chorus.



**JUDY PORT**

Tigerettes; Tiger Cubs; Safety Council; Red Cross; Sophomore Homeroom Vice President; Annual Staff; Sizzler Staff.

**LEON PRICE**

Junior Assembly; Concert, Marching Band.



**SYLVIA PRITCHER**

Tigerettes, Squad Leader; Tiger Cubs; FHA; FBLA; Latin Club; Y-Teens, Vice President, President; State Secretary; JCL.

**JUDY REAGAN**

Tigerettes; Tiger Cubs; FBLA, Vice President; Sophomore Homeroom Vice President; Junior Assembly; Library Club.



**TOMMY RITTER**

Latin Club; Hi-Y; Junior Assembly; JCL; Concert, Marching, Dance Band.

**RONNY ROBBINS**







**THOMAS RYLAND**

Junior Assembly; Concert, Marching Band.

**GLYNN SAVAGE**

Football, Head Manager; Junior Assembly.

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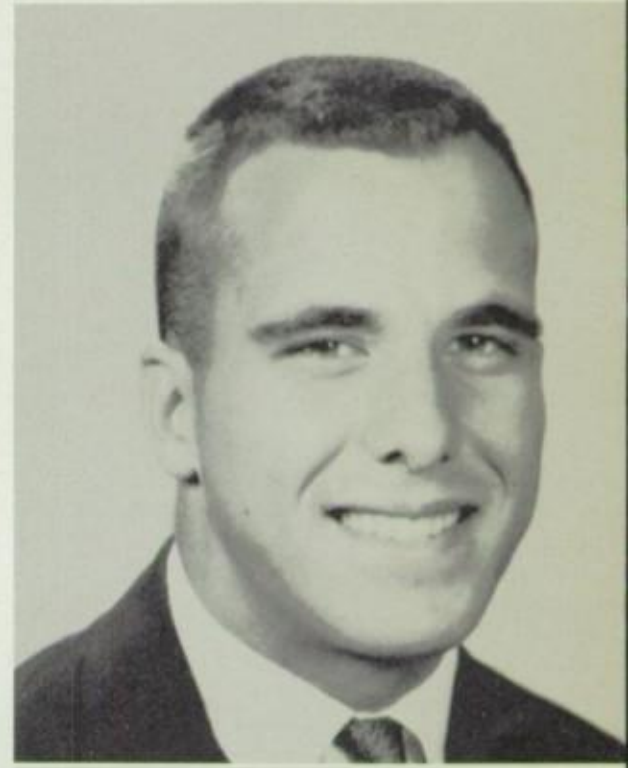


**JEFF SAYLES**

Transfer Student.

**TOM SCOTT**

Safety Council; Science Club; Key Club; Student Council; Freshman Homeroom Vice-President; Sophomore Homeroom President; Junior Homeroom Vice President; Junior Assembly; Football, Frosh, Varsity; Basketball, Frosh; Track.



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**NANCY SHAW**

Basketball, Frosh, Varsity; FHA, Historian; Library Club; Volleyball Team; Red Cross; Sophomore Homeroom Secretary; Junior Assembly.



**STEVE SLADE**

**CAROL SLAKTER**

Tigerettes; Tiger Cubs; FHA; FBLA; Safety Council; Red Cross; Junior Class Secretary; Junior Assembly, Chairman.

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### JEANNE SLAUGHTER

Tigerettes, Squad Leader; Senior Alternate Commander; Tiger Cubs; FBLA; Red Cross, Treasurer; Science Club, Secretary; Latin Club, Parliamentarian; Thespians; Y-Teens; Student Council; Freshman Homeroom President; Junior Homeroom President; Sophomore Homeroom Secretary; Junior Assembly; Sophomore Favorite; Homecoming Court, Maid; Library Club; JCL; Junior Executive Committee.

### DIANE SMITH

FHA; FBLA; Red Cross; Junior Homeroom Secretary; Glee Club; Junior Executive Committee.



### LYNN SMITH

Tigerettes, Company Commander; Tiger Cubs; Red Cross, Vice President; Science Club, Treasurer; Latin Club; Medics Club; Student Council, Chaplain; Junior Homeroom Vice President; Nat'l. Merit Semi-Finalist; Junior Assembly; Senior Class Most Intellectual; JCL.

### LINDA SMULL

Transfer Student.



### MANCO SNAPP

Hi-Y; Junior Assembly; Basketball, Frosh.

### KAY SNELLING

Tigerettes, Squad Leader; Tiger Cubs; FBLA; Varsity Cheerleader; Junior Assembly; Junior Executive Committee.



### JEANNIE SNODGRAS

Latin Club; Y-Teens; Junior Assembly; JCL; Concert, Marching Band.

### VIRGINIA SPRAGUE

Science Club; Junior Assembly; Marching Concert Band.







### BILL STADLER

Safety Council; Science Club; Latin Club; Thespians; Hi-Y; Key Club; Junior Assembly; Football, Frosh, B Team; Basketball, Frosh; Track; Office Staff; JCL.

### MAIDYE STRICKLAND

Tiger Cubs; FHA; FBLA; Safety Council; Red Cross; Latin Club; Junior Assembly; JCL.



### BETTIE SUTTON

FBLA, Historian; Safety Council; Science Club; Latin Club; Quill and Scroll; Annual Staff, Editor, Managing Editor; Sizzler Staff; Junior Assembly; JCL.

### JIMMY TAYLOR



### GLENDATHOMPSON

### LEATHOMPSON

Tigerettes, Secretary; Tiger Cubs; Glee Club; Junior Red Cross, Chapter President; Latin Club, Program Chairman; JCL, State Vice President; Basketball Manager; Senior Class Secretary-Treasurer; Senior Class Most Likely to Succeed; Junior Red Cross, Parish Vice President; Girls' State; Basketball, Frosh.



### SHARON THOMPSON

Tigerettes; Tiger Cubs; FHA; Safety Council; Red Cross; Latin Club; Thespians; Sophomore Homeroom Vice President; Annual Staff; Junior Assembly; Glee Club; JCL.

### ROBERT TIPPIT

Key Club; Football, Varsity; Senior Class Handsome; Transfer Student.







MARY ELLEN TRULL

FHA; FBLA; Glee Club, Girls' Chorus, Mixed Chorus.



DONNA TURNER

FBLA; Red Cross; Y-Teens; Transfer Student.



ROBERT TURNER

Annual Staff; Junior Assembly; Football, Frosh, Varsity three-year letterman, Captain; Track; Sophomore Favorite; Glee Club; Letterman's Club; Shreveport Journal, All-District; 2-year All-Monrovia; 2-year A.P. All-District; 2-year All-Twin City; All-State.



WAYNE VERRETT



GLEN WALKER

Junior Assembly; Golf Team.



JAN WEST

Tigerettes, Junior Alternate Commander, Squad Leader; Tiger Cubs; Varsity Cheerleader; FHA, President; FBLA, Secretary; Student Council, Reporter; Sophomore Homeroom Vice President; Junior Homeroom Vice President; Junior Class Beauty; Senior Class Most Beautiful; Sophomore Favorite; Homecoming Court, Maid of Honor; Miss Neville High School; School Hi-Lites.



ROBERT WITHERINGTON

Junior Assembly; Transfer Student.



RONNI WILDS

FHA; FBLA; Safety Council; Thespians; Freshman Homeroom President; Sophomore Homeroom Secretary; Annual Staff; Junior Assembly; Junior Executive Committee.





WANDA WILKINS  
FHA.



SALLY WILLIAMS  
Tigerettes; Tiger Cubs; FHA; FBLA;  
Medics Club; Thespians; Marching, Con-  
cert Band.



NANCY WILSON  
Tigerettes, Squad Leader; Tiger Cubs;  
Varsity Cheerleader; Latin Club, Secretary;  
JCL; FHA, Treasurer; Red Cross; FBLA;  
Safety Council; Student Council; Girls'  
State; Freshman Favorite; Sophomore  
Homeroom Treasurer; Junior Homeroom  
President; Junior Executive Committee;  
Junior Class Treasurer; Junior Class Fa-  
vorite; Junior Assembly; Senior Class  
Beauty; Senior Class Friendliest.



ROBERT WING  
Safety Council; Science Club; Latin  
Club; Junior Assembly; JCL.



LYNDA GAY WOOD  
Tigerettes, Squad Leader; Tiger Cubs;  
Red Cross; Science Club; Latin Club,  
Treasurer; Student Council; Junior Home-  
room Secretary; Junior Assembly; Glee  
Club, Secretary-Treasurer; JCL; Junior  
Executive Committee.



MELANY WOOD  
Tigerettes, Squad Leader; Tiger Cubs;  
Red Cross, Vice President; Medics Club;  
Junior Assembly.



LINDA LEE WOODS  
Tigerettes; Tiger Cubs; FHA; Red  
Cross; Freshman Homeroom Secretary;  
Sophomore Homeroom President; Senior  
Class Girls' Vice President; Junior Assem-  
bly; Key Club Sweetheart; School Hi-  
Lites.



MARY WRIGHT





**JACK YOUNGBLOOD**

FHA; Football, Frosh, Varsity, two-year letterman, Player of the Week Award; Track; Letterman's Club; Junior Assembly.

**FRED MOSELY**

Transfer Student.



**TOMMY RUDDICK**

Printing and Publications work; Transfer Student.

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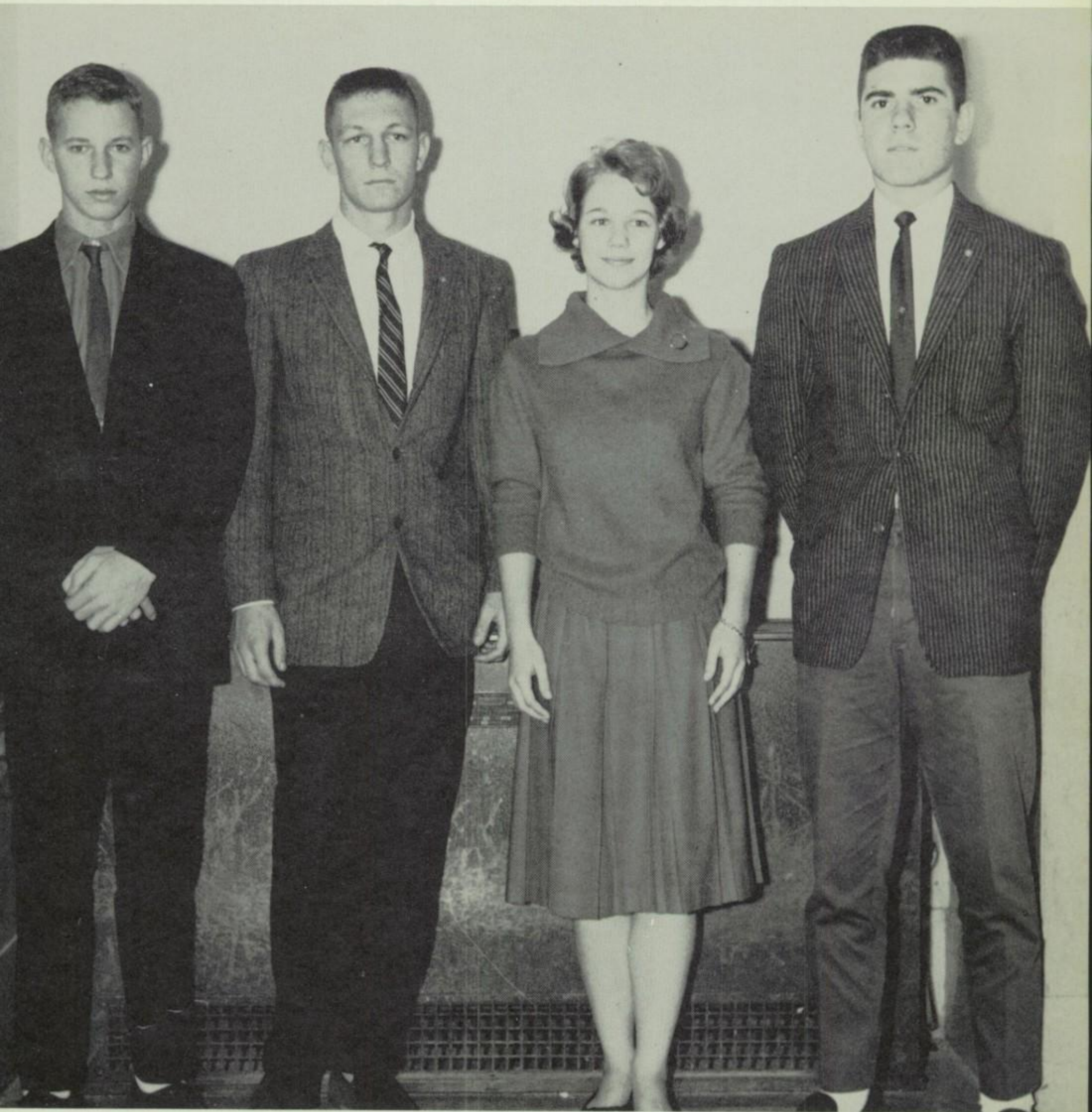
**Senior Class  
Student Council  
Members (Below)**



Senior Student Council Members are as follows, from left to right: Nancy Wilson, Lynn Smith, Jan West, Bill Becton, Courtland Gray, Beverly Franks, Jack Burton, Linda Byrd, Kay Branch and Bunny Cannon.



## *The Junior Class Officers*



Junior Class Officers for 1960-61 include, left to right, Bill Ethridge, vice president; Mike Pickett, treasurer; Bunny Buckner, secretary; and Kim Breese, president.



Laura Allen  
Dottie Amman  
Louise Amman  
Kay Anderson



## Juniors

Scarlette Armistead  
Ray Baker  
Linda Ballenger  
Sally Barham



Beverly Bartlett  
Pat Bassett  
Jody Biedenharn  
John Blackmon



Barbara Borgkuist  
Don Brant  
Jim Brasher  
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Kim Breese  
Jane Brimberry  
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Bunny Buckner



Doll Burgoyne  
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Carol Jean Cahn  
Linda Carlson



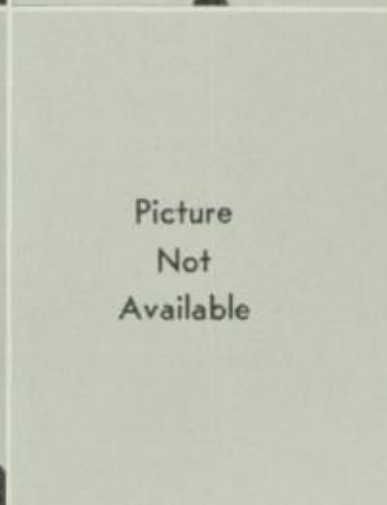
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Butch Cerniglia  
Frank Chapman  
Carol Clark

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## Juniors

Judy Clark  
Judy Cobb  
Shelton Cole  
Linda Collet



Mary Conlin  
Cookie Cookston  
Gary Cooper  
Linda Crow



Connie Cudd  
Shelia Culp  
Carol Curry  
Shari Davis



Steve Davis  
Ginger Dean  
Shirley Dean  
Malcolm DeCelle

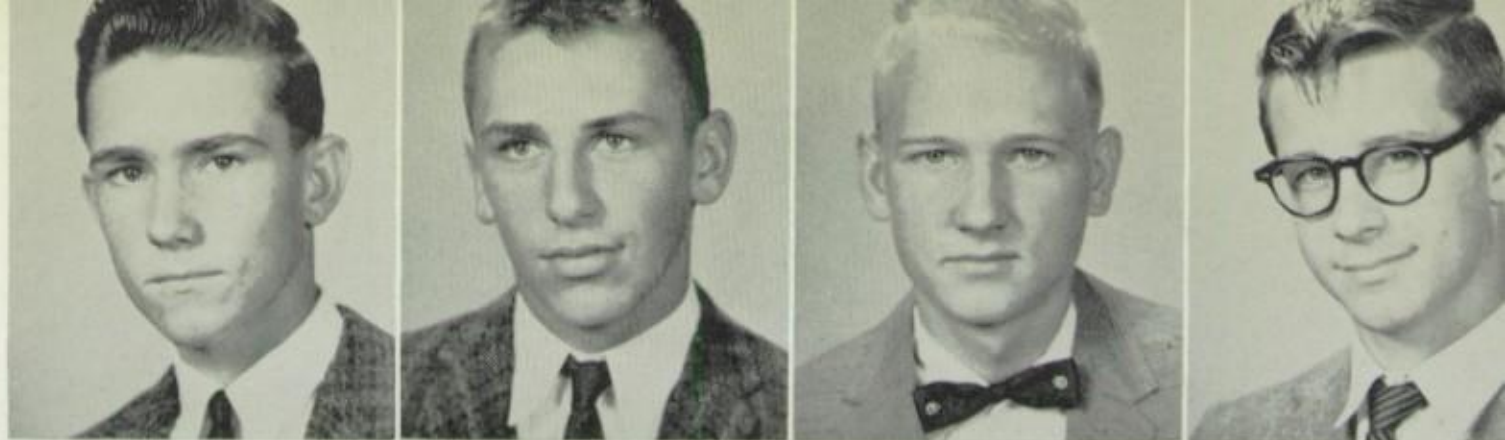
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Tommy Dickens  
Jen Dickerson  
Tommy Jean Dixon  
Dan Doughty



Kelton Dubois  
Bob Duncan  
Chris Eby  
Barry Erwin



## Juniors

Bill Ethridge  
Jake Evans  
Ellen Ferguson  
Susan Ferguson



Mike Fettingier  
Jeanne Foster  
Mary Ellen Francis  
A. D. Futrell



Jimmy Gaiennie  
Bobby George  
Ricky Gibbon  
Tommy Goleman



Alice Goorley  
Minta Goyne  
Carlton Gresham  
Danny Gurgiolo



Freddie Haddad  
Saul Hakim  
Harvey Hales  
Dicky Harper



Buddy Harrison  
Paul Harvey  
Ann Hayes  
Jimmy Head



## Juniors

Marie Hegwood  
Maretta Heidenreich  
Ann Hemphill  
Don Higginbotham



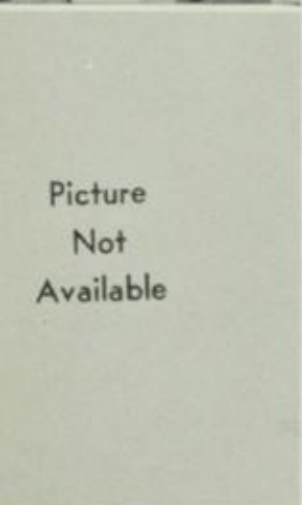
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Alvin Hilton  
Henry Hinkle  
William Hollis



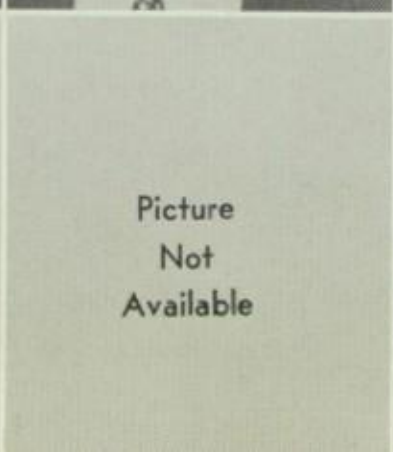
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Edwina Hopkins  
Robert Horton  
Gerald Houston  
Bob Hutts



Leslie Jackson  
Steve Jefferson  
Billy John  
Georgey Johnson



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Mary Frances Jones  
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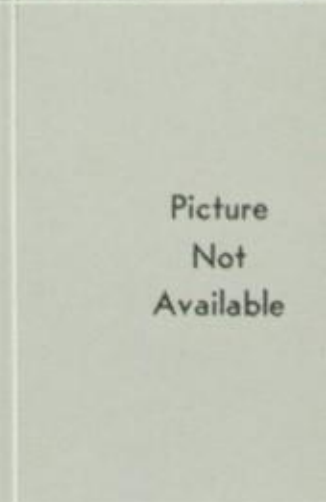


Maureen Kelly  
Eddie Kincaid  
Dick Kurtz  
Mickey Lancaster



## Juniors

Mimi Landry  
Peggy Lanier  
Billy Ledbetter  
Ken Luther



Ellen Mahr  
Don Marx  
Mike Mason  
Gretchen Masur



Lyn McCready  
Dennis McDonald  
Calvin McFadden  
Robert McGowen



Michael McKinley  
Dwight McLemore  
Gale Merhige  
Suzanne Messina



Nancy Miller  
Mary Lee Milstead  
John Mittell  
Scooter Morgan



Jan Moore  
Margaret Moore  
Kenneth Mulhearn  
Joyce Mullins



## Juniors

John Harvey Nelson  
George Nichols  
Truett Nolan  
Virginia Nolan



Judy Nowell  
Derllie O'Bier  
Pam O'Donnell  
Guy Ogden



Percy Pace  
Pauline Palmer  
Carole Parker  
Bo Pasternack



Robert Charles Payne  
Janet Perkins  
Wilbur Perkins  
Harvey Perry



Carol Petty  
Mike Pickett  
Ronnie Plaisance  
Jimmy Pohlman



Gene Rachal  
Lee Rachal  
John Rea  
Virginia Reynolds



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## Juniors

Mike Riley  
Howard Rivers  
Jerry Roberts  
Ralph Roberts



John Ross  
Pam Rudisill  
Kay Sanchez  
Beth Schallo



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Mignon Scogin  
Molly Shelton  
Dian Simmons  
Robert Sims



John Sixby  
Lea Skains  
Bill Spinks  
David Smith



Wayne Smith  
Glenda Smull  
Sharon Stancil  
Diane Stewart



Van Stewart  
 Jim Theus  
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## Juniors

Shirley Thrift  
 John Tolar  
 Helen Touchstone  
 Linda Truett



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Rita Tuey  
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Herschel Walker  
 Sam Walker  
 Mac Ward  
 Ronnie Whitecotton



Perry Willey  
 Eddie Wilson  
 Mike Wilson  
 Judy Worley



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Becky Wright  
 David Yarborough



# ***The Sophomore Class Officers***



FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: Don Saget, Sharon Monroe, Kenny Duncan, Jimmy Howard, Barbara Mulhearn, Steve Updegraff.





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Charles Ackel  
Gerald Acosta  
Mona Acosta  
Ann Adams

## Sophomores



Bill Adams  
David Adler  
Rex Albright  
Diane Alexander



Betty Lou Andre  
June Apgar  
Paul Aron  
Donna Barfoot



Holly Sue Bayne  
DeWitt Beckett  
Lawrence Bennett  
Charlotte Berry



Betty Ann Bettis  
Beverly Blackmon  
Linda Blair  
Steve Blue



Latina Bonner  
Betty Bray  
Wade Brisbin  
Johnny Burgess





Edmund Burton  
Wayne Bushnell  
Frances Byrd  
David Carlson

## Sophomores



Ann Casey  
Carolyn Causey  
Sam Caverlee  
Patricia Chambliss



Cheryl Chapman  
Ruth Christian  
Don Claridge  
Carroll Clark



Diane Clark  
Sandra Cloninger  
Kathleen Cochran  
Henry Cole



Pamela Conner  
Nancy Crossland  
Carol Crotwell  
Lee Denson



Manuel Dickerson  
Jimmy Dollar  
Maribeth Downing  
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Kenny Duncan  
Daria Duncelman  
Gayle Dunn  
Kenneth Easley

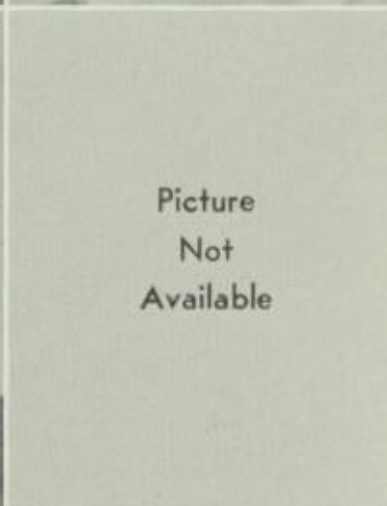
## Sophomores



Frank Eason  
Ann Edmondson  
Linda Engstrom  
Jan Evans



Randall Fallin  
Henry Fife  
Gerrie Frazier  
Sherry Free



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George Frizell  
Gary Futch  
Gary Gannaway  
Don Giddings



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Joyce Gill  
Judy Gill  
Tommy Giles  
Jimmy Gilley



Stephanie Gilmont  
Robert Goorley  
Danny Gremillion  
Pam Grower





Kurt Guelzow  
Phil Guthrie  
Martha Guyton  
Michael Haddad

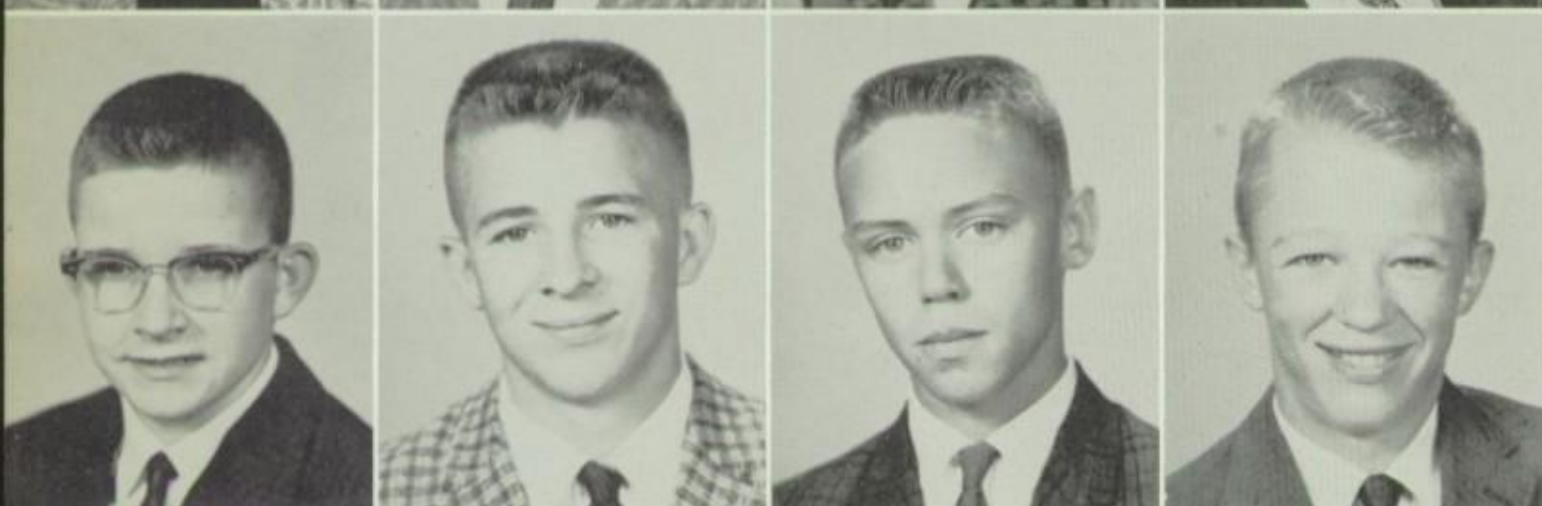
## Sophomores



Marjorie Hammons  
Geron Hargon  
Gay Hargrove  
George Hargus



Jimmy Harmon  
Bark Harrison  
Mary Katherine Hayes  
John Heimgartner



Terry Hessick  
Jimmy Howard  
Bill Hunt  
Ricky Hyland

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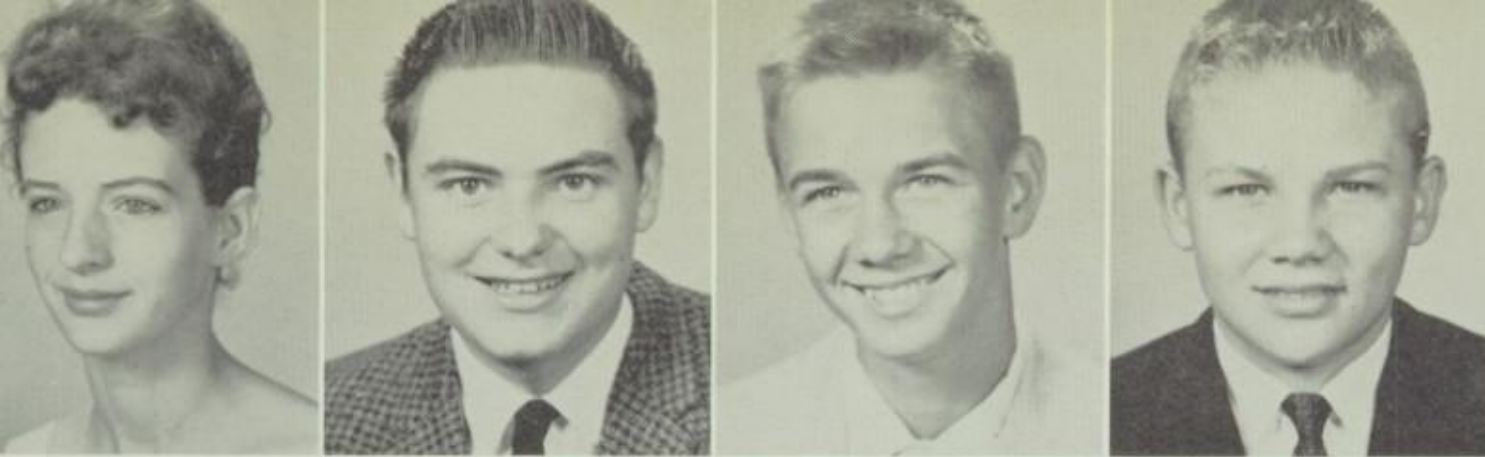


Janette Hylton  
Barbara Jackson  
Bill Jackson  
Karen Johnson



Bud Jones  
Kay Jones  
Ronald Killen  
Herb Kilpatrick





Eva Jean King  
Tommy Kinhead  
Richard Kiper  
Ralph Kirchoff

## Sophomores



K. K. Kite  
Tommy Knipping  
Joseph Koehler  
Carol Koontz



Gretchen LaFrance  
Andria Landry  
Joe' Lane  
Julie Larsen



Stephen Lazarus  
Cynthia Leigh  
Randy Lewis  
Sissie Loftin



Eldwin Lovelady  
Janet Lovelady  
Shawn McBride  
David McCaskill



Donnie Dale McCullin  
Ann McElroy  
Kathy McSherry  
Marilyn Massey





Andy Mapp  
Dick Marsh  
Jerry Mehl  
Sharron Monroe

## Sophomores



Greg Moore  
Dianne Morgan  
Derylin Morris  
Suzanne Moseley



Barbara Mulhearn  
Ruth Mulhearn  
Richard Mulhearn  
Barry Mullins



Carolyn Murray  
Paula Neal  
Robbie Newcomer  
Penny Nichols



Janet Noland  
John Parker  
Polly Parrish  
Buddy Pearson



Charles Phillips  
Ann Pilkington  
Chip Planchard  
Pat Porter





William Porter  
Sandra Powell  
Sage Redding  
Shelia Rester

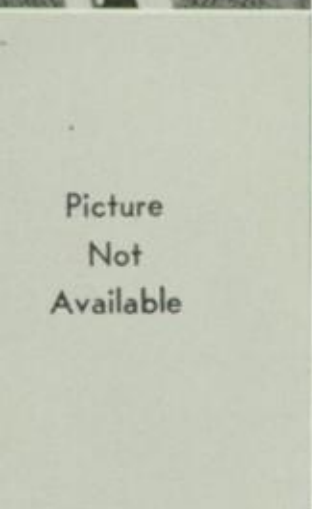
## Sophomores



Chester Rousseau  
Heidi Rowan  
Jeanne Rowan  
Steve Rugg



Mac Russell  
Don Saget  
John Segars  
Sandra Shutting



James Smith  
Doris Solomon  
Peggy Southerland  
Tommy Sparks

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Elaine Spencer  
Susan Sperry  
David Stone  
Jack Taylor



Chrissie Terzolas  
Betty Thomasee  
Charles Tomlinson  
Jack Trousdale





Joanne Turner  
Steve Updegraff  
Fred Vogel  
Jean Wallace

## Sophomores



Alton Waschka  
Donna Weaver  
Louise Weir  
Virginia Welch



Dianne West  
Dianne White  
Nick White  
Sylvia Whitehead



Richard Wilkerson  
Shelia Williamson  
James Willis  
Linda Wingo



Wanda Wood  
John Woodburn  
Bill Yerger



# Freshman Presidents



Freshman Homeroom Presidents are from left to right: Jimmy Johnson, Sally Ensminger, Rita Brandon, Barbara Masur, Sally Pierce, and Eastland Gray.



Gloria Abraham  
Patricia Accardo  
Billie Agin  
Gloria Alford

## Freshmen

Sharon Allen  
Arden Anders  
Nathan Antley  
John Armstrong

Linda Atkinson  
Pat Ayres  
Lee Baker  
Sandra Ballard



Paulette Butitta  
John Beasley  
Susan Benton  
Robert Bentz



Walter Boals  
Charlene Bogle  
Sandra Booth  
Eric Borgkuist



Roy Boudreaux  
Copeland Bradley  
Richard Bradley  
Archie Bradshaw



Janis Brandon  
Rita Brandon  
Ronnie Brasher  
Jill Braucher

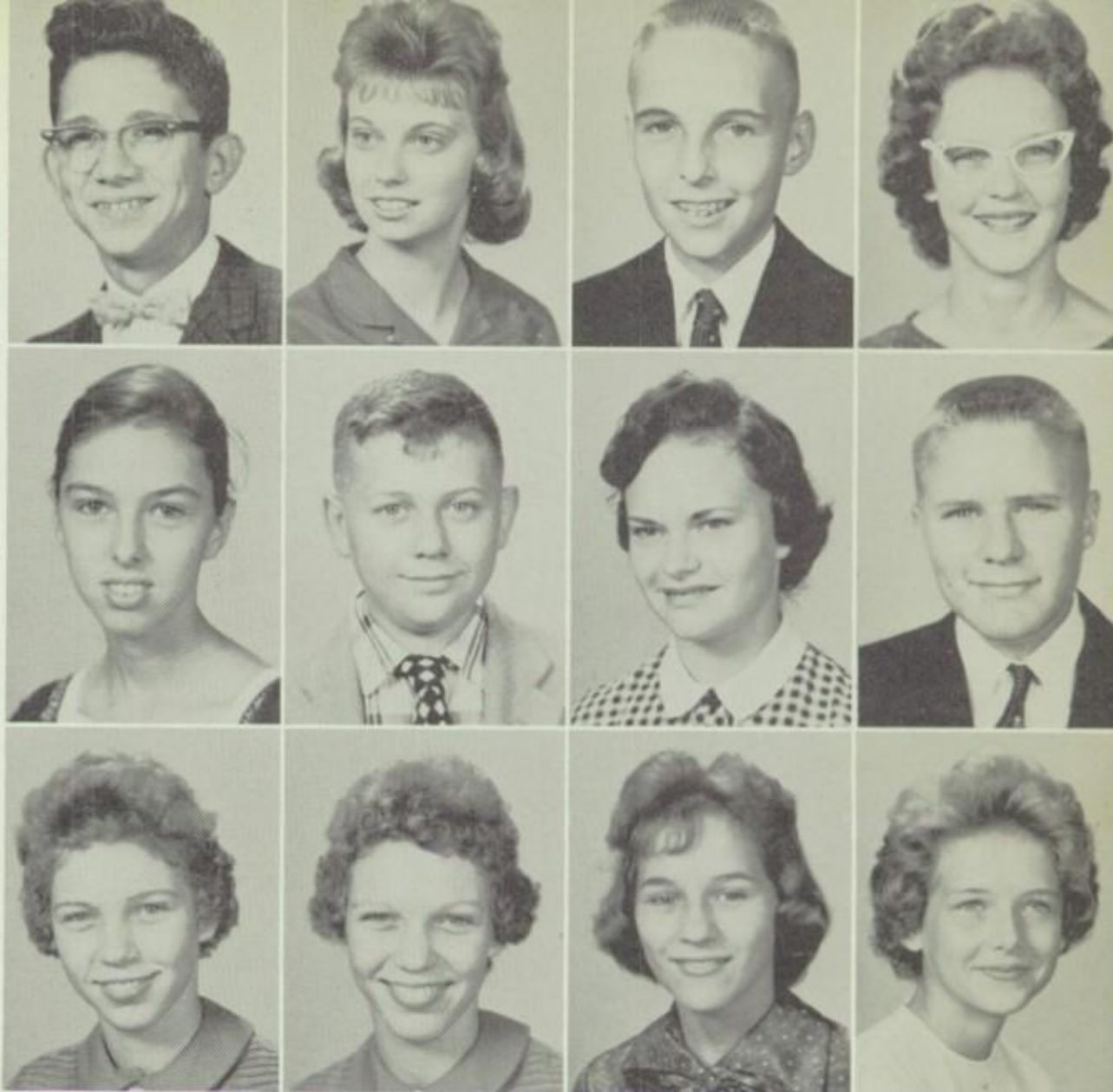


Jerry Braud  
Anne Breard  
Michael Breard  
Nemery Bridges

## Freshmen

Lauralee Brisbin  
Ted Brode  
Cheryl Brooks  
Joel Bryant

Linda Bryce  
Lynne Bryce  
Barbara Buckner  
Elaine Butler



Jimmy Bynum  
Joe Canal  
Faye Cannon  
Walter Causey

Bob Cavendish  
Jim Caverlee  
Pam Choitz  
Jerry Clark

Amanda Cobb  
Janet Conlin  
Hardeman Cordell  
Jack Coulson



Carolyn Courson  
Karen Crow  
Carol Culpepper  
Connie Davis



Donna De Celle  
Patricia Dickerson  
Gail Dupont  
Paul Eason

## Freshmen

Glenn Easter  
Jane Edwards  
Judy Engstrom  
Sally Ensminger

Dianne Entrican  
Robert Evangelista  
Ronald Factor  
John Fairbanks

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Mary Frances Farley  
Brenda Farmar  
Sally Farr  
Joy Fettinger

Ronnie Fontana  
Phylis Freeman  
Marcia Frost  
Milann Gannaway

John Garret  
Carol Genug  
Nancy Gholson  
James Gibson

Joe Goyne  
John Graham  
Joe Grant  
Russell Grantham

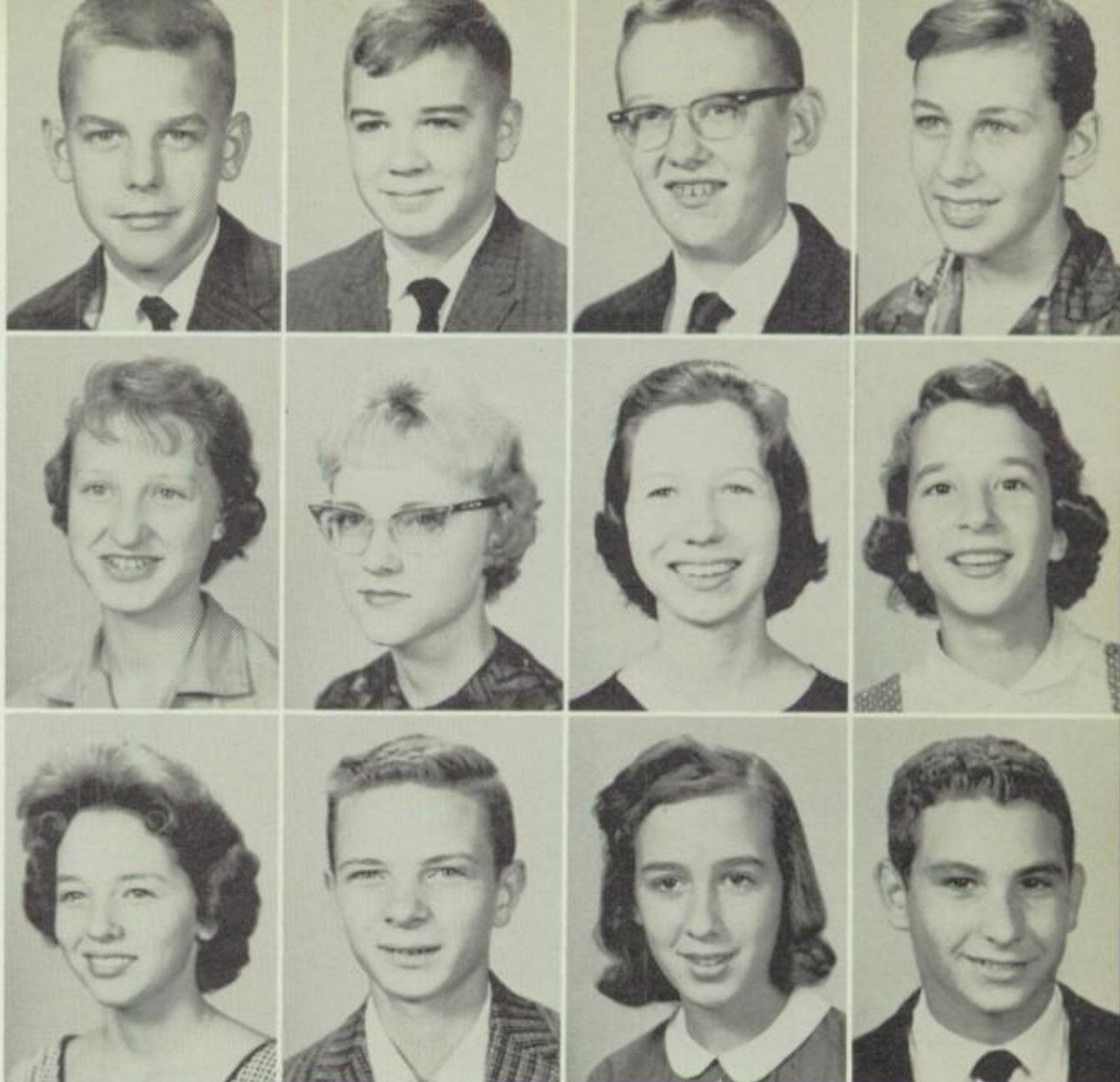


Eastland Gray  
Mark Glazer  
Tim Greer  
Jackie Gremillion

## Freshmen

Brenda Gresham  
Donna Griffin  
Laura Griffith  
Glenda Grower

Diane Halley  
Richard Haneline  
Nancy Harbuck  
Gary Hart



Anita Hasse  
Jane Head  
Tommy Head  
Carole Heard



Madeline Hegwood  
Sandra Heller  
Robbie Hicks  
Bill Hochstetler



Robert Holdsworth  
William Hollingsworth  
Katherine Hollis  
John Howard



Nancy Huddy  
Steve Huffman  
Georgory Hutts  
Mike Irvin



Bill Irvine  
Steve Jackson  
Don Johnson  
Jimmy Johnson

## Freshmen

Polly Ann Johnson  
Evelyn Jones  
Bobby Kelly  
Gayle Kelly

Johnny King  
Corliss Kirby  
Annette Kirchoff  
Warren Klam



Wanda Langley  
Janice Lanier  
Jim Ledoux  
Dallas Lee



Gary Lee  
Susan Lee  
George Leveret  
Lois Leyendecker



Walter Lowery  
Jill Magruder  
Joe Malta  
Jill Marx



Jan Mason  
Barbara Masur  
Linda Masur  
Lynn Masur



Jim Mathis  
Dwight May  
Denver McCarthy  
Vicki McCullin

## Freshmen

Mike McGee  
Don McGowen  
Patton McHenry  
Newby McNeil

Sharron Medlen  
Martha Meeks  
Jay Merton  
Becky Middleton



Anne Miller  
Nicki Mirza  
Richard Moore  
Paula Moreland



Lucille Morton  
Freddie Moses  
Janet Moses  
Donna Mouk



Ray Mulhearn  
Harold Norman  
James Nowell  
Dale Olsan



Don Osborn  
Danny Otts  
Gary Pappas  
William Parker



Becky Parkerson  
Deas Parrish  
Michael Patterson  
Mike Patterson

## Freshmen

Paula Perry  
Carol Peters  
Sally Pierce  
Nancy Pittman

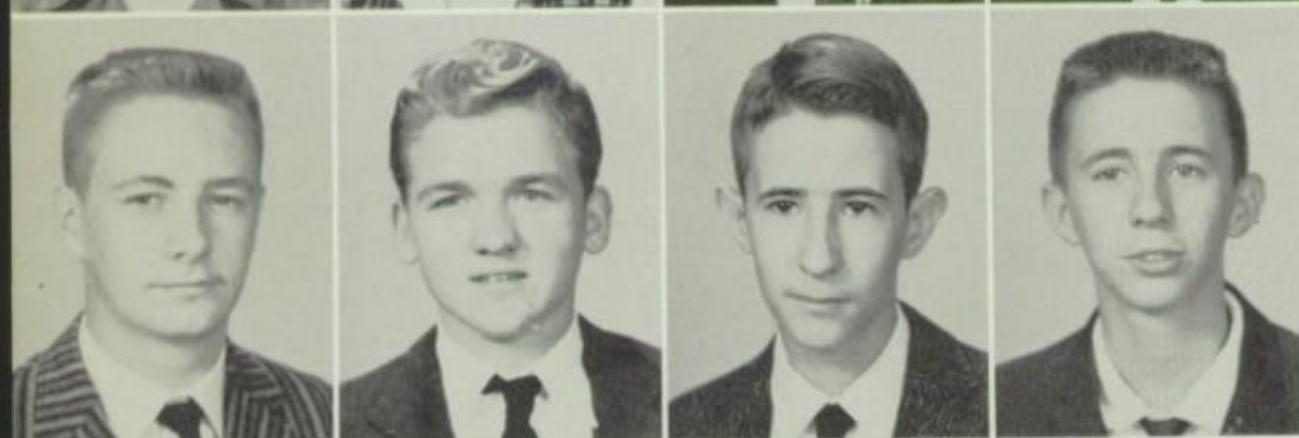
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Francis Powell  
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Robert Reynolds  
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Tommy Rhodes  
Paul Rhodes



Dovie Roberts  
Rex Robertson  
Bobby Robinson  
Everette Roper

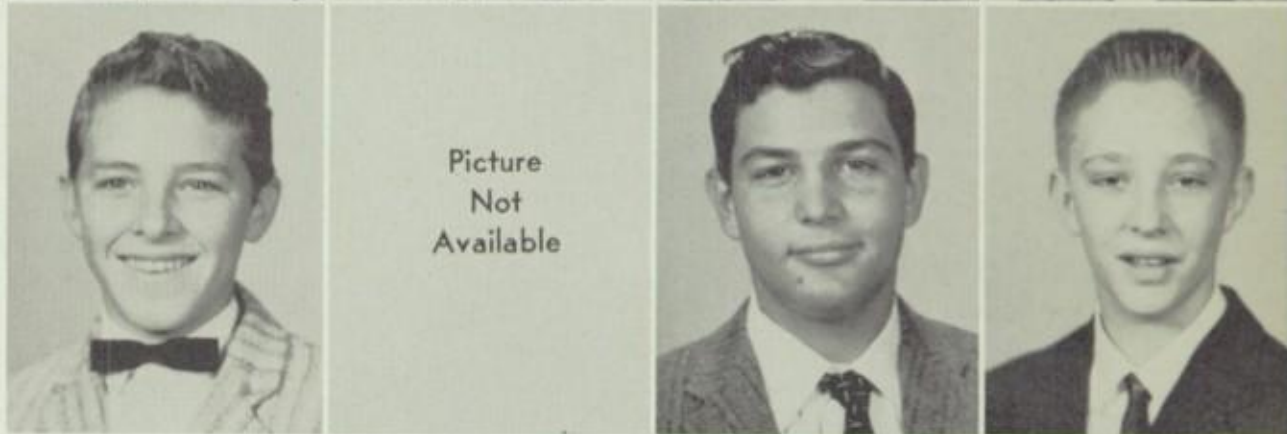


Mike Savage  
Judy Searcy  
Fran Shattuck  
Susan Sherrouse



## Freshmen

Ronnie Shultz  
Mary Jane Sims  
Richard Slavant  
Arthur Smith



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Diane Smith  
Gayle Smith  
Malcolm Smith  
Libby Snapp



Anne Spurgeon  
Gloria Stancil  
Gloria Stone  
Barbara Suomi



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Donald Swanson  
Judy Swayze  
Nancy Talbot  
Pete Terzolas



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Ray Thomas  
Emmett Thompson  
Lenoir Thompson  
Cynthia Tippet



Mary Louise Tolar  
Jan Touchstone  
Peggy Travis  
Bill Trice



David Trousdale  
Micky Varnado  
Rosalie Wachowski  
Judy Walker

## Freshmen

Amos Warner  
Joe Watts  
Charlene Wedemeyer  
Ned Whatley

Robert Whitelaw  
Yvonne Williams  
Sally Wing  
Avon Wolcott



Sandra Wood  
Til Wright  
Constance Yance  
Dale Yarborough



John Yerger  
Eddie Young





## ***Activities for All Classes***





# NEVILLE ALMA MATER

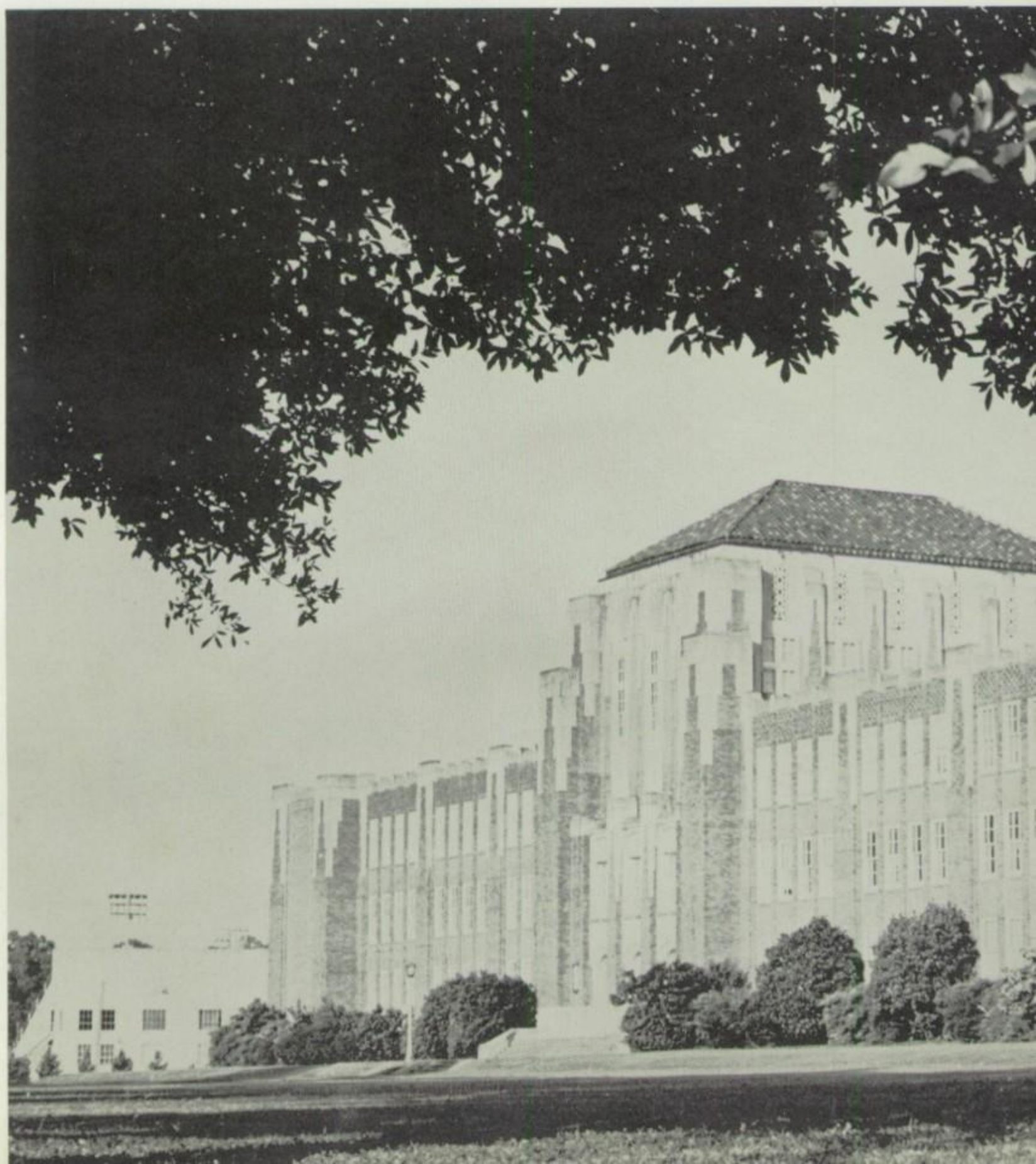
O Neville High, we sing to thee;  
O Neville High, we praise—  
O Neville High, we bring to thee  
Our love of all our high school days;

Long may you teach the Golden Rule  
In Monroe's cherished land—  
God bless you ever, Neville High School,  
And forever may you stand;

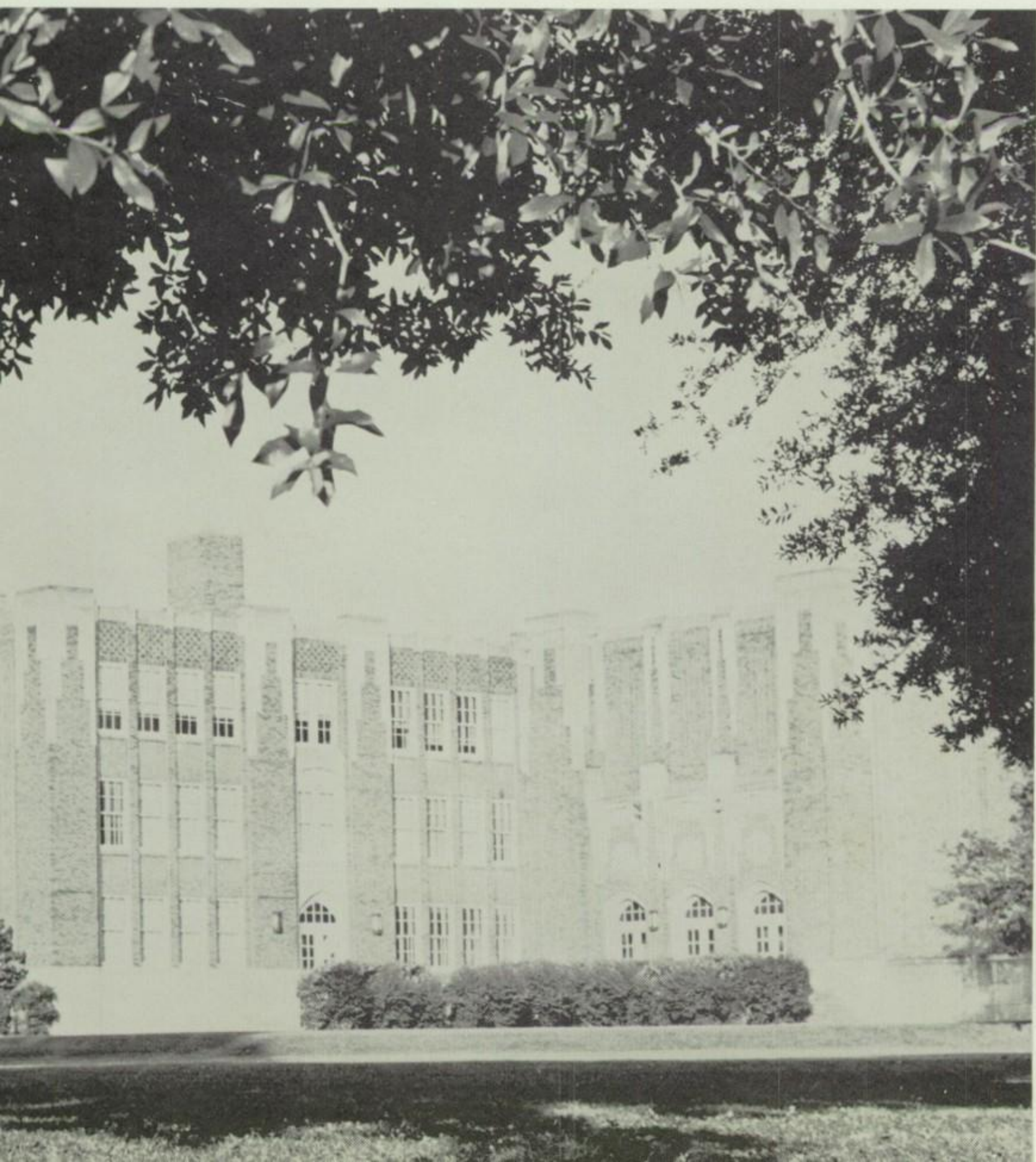
And deep in our hearts we will hold  
A place eternally—  
And there we keep our loyalty  
And all the memories of thee;

Words by Sammy R. Danna

Music by Charles Gaushell









## **Chapter VII**



**Edited by Courtland Gray**





## ***SPRING ACTIVITIES***







# Commencement



School



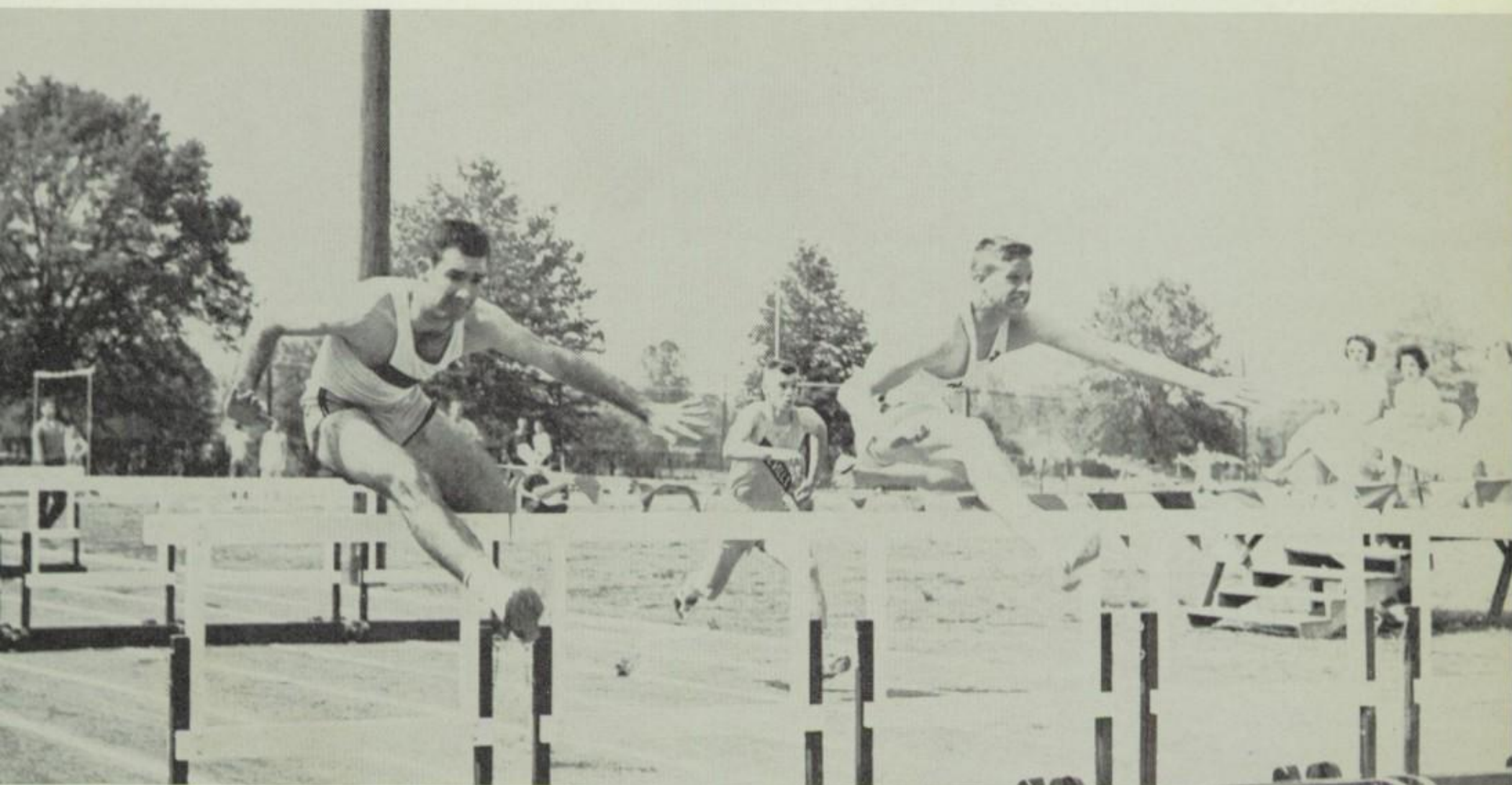
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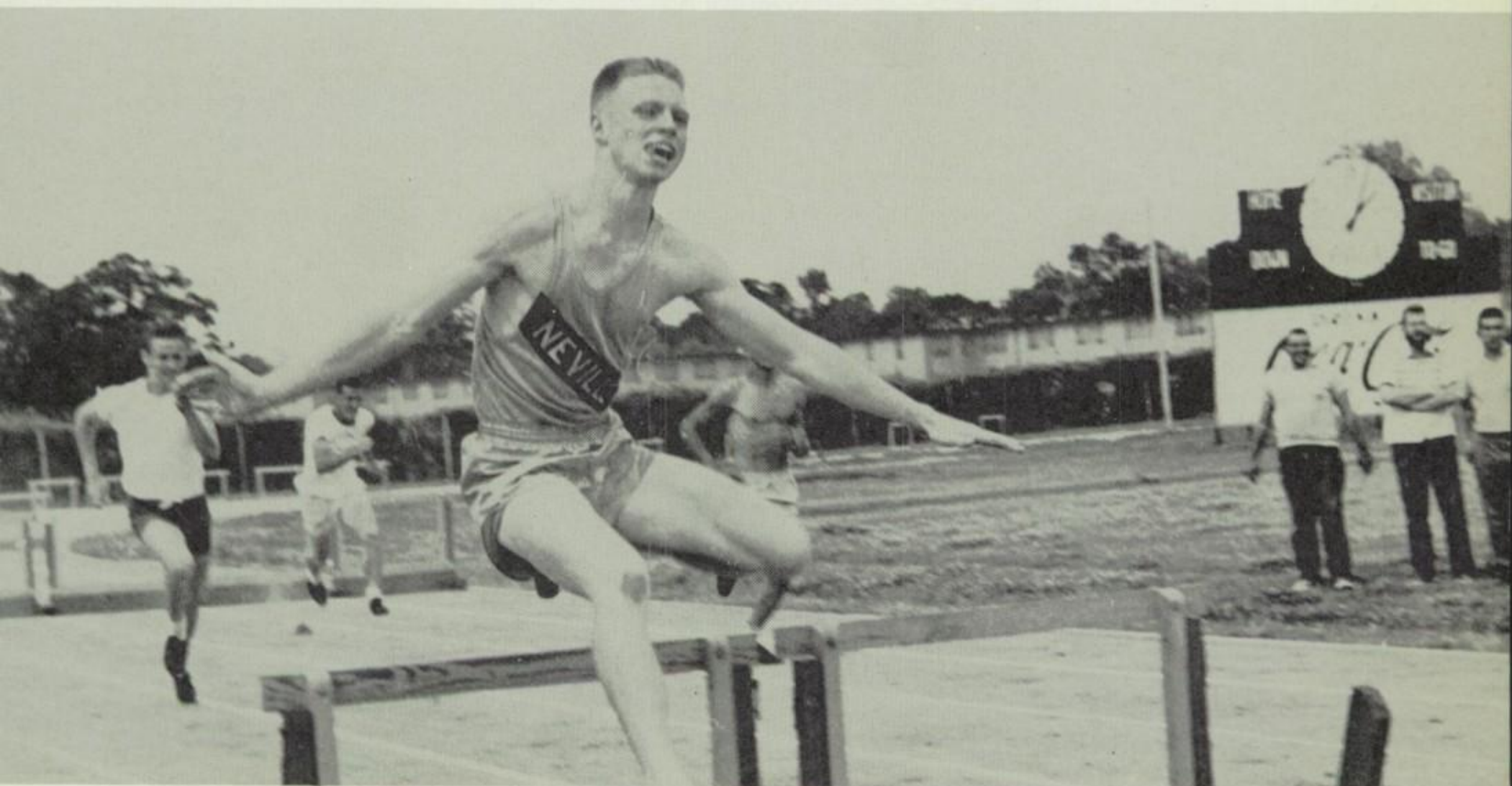
**1960 Cindermen**



# ***First Annual Neville Relays***



## ***2nd Annual Twin City Meet***



## ***Neville Wins Meet Again***

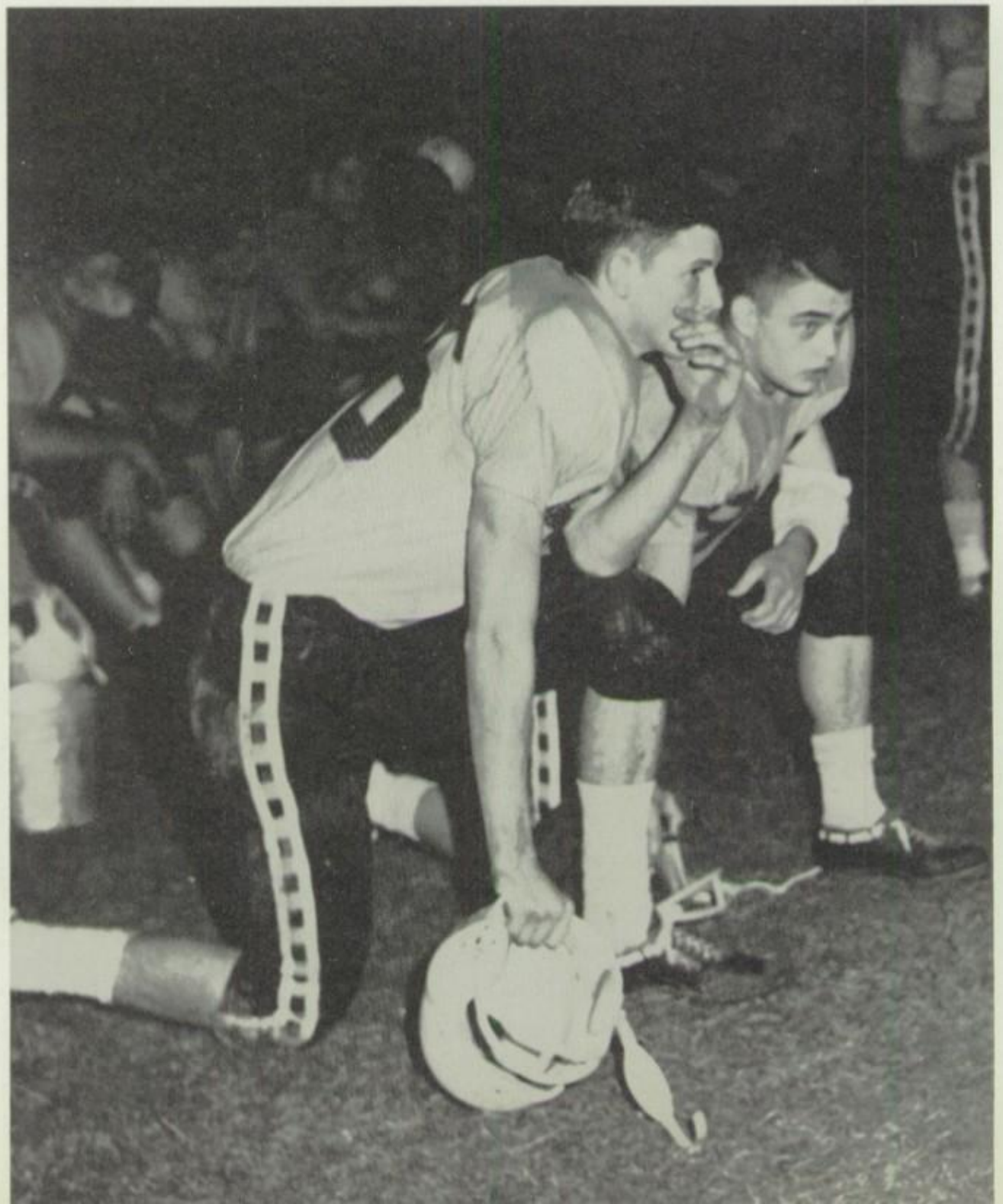




Many of the Twin City winners

## Spring Intra- Squad Clash

**"Black and Gold"**  
Football Game

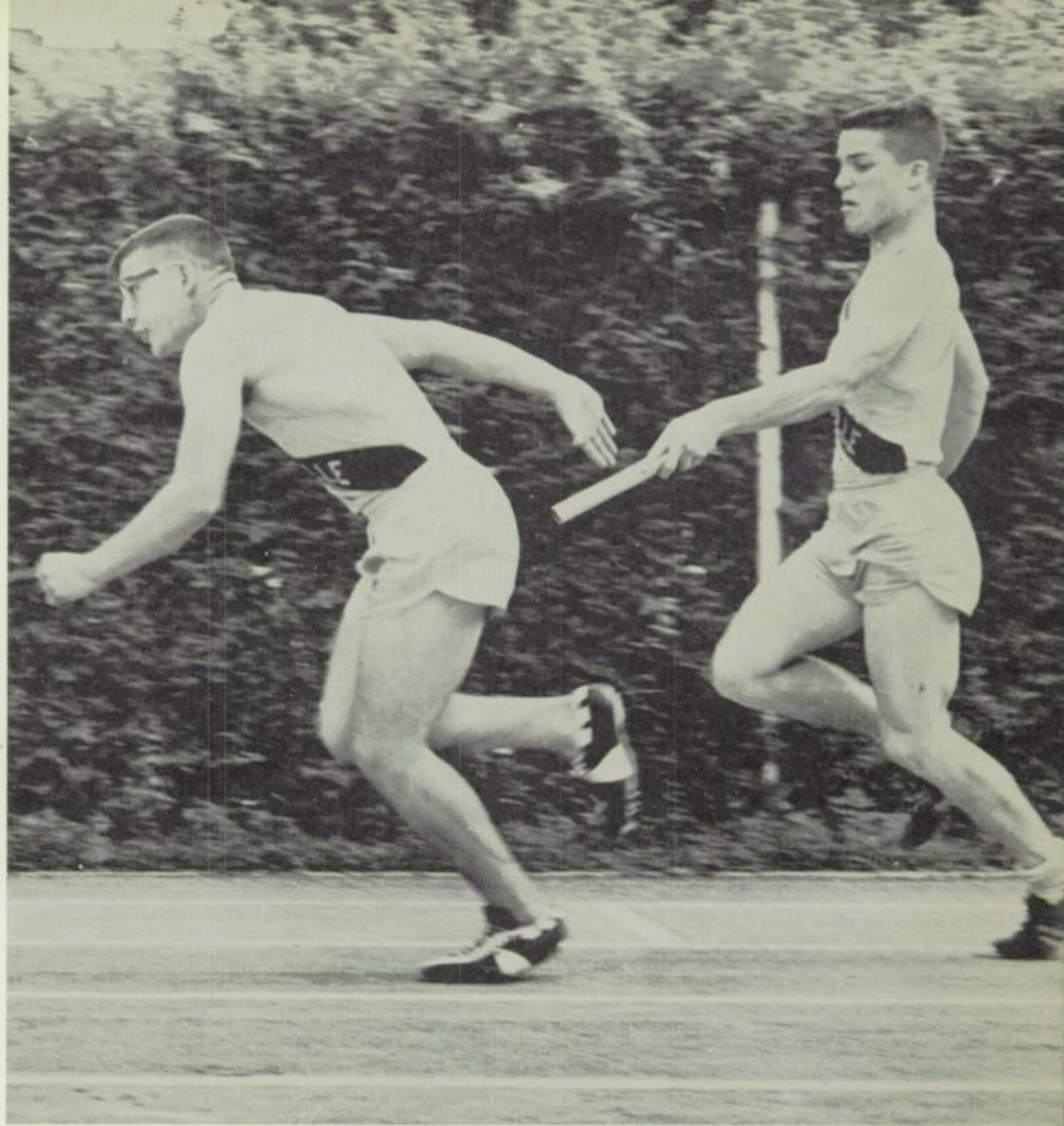


They await the call . . .

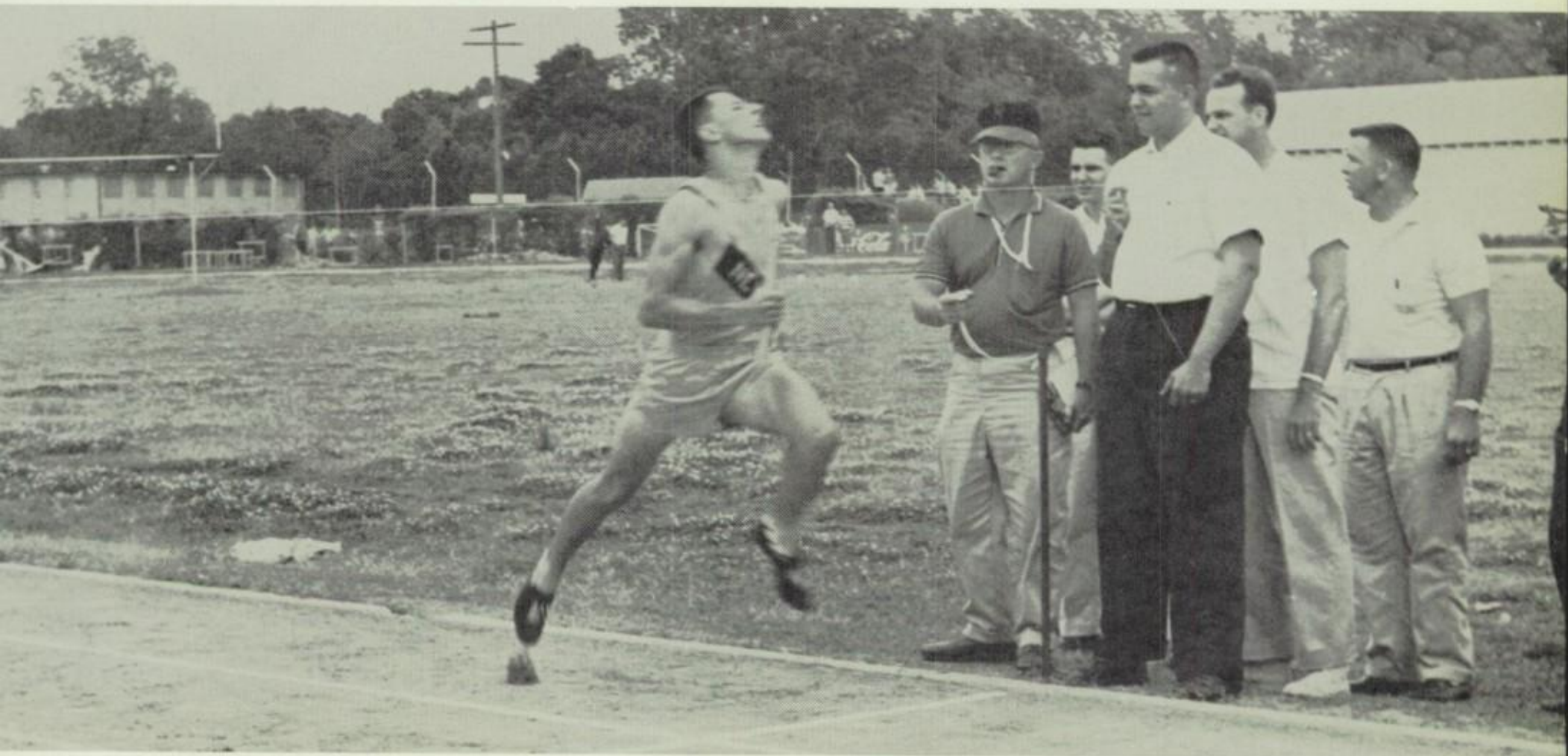


# ***In the Twin City Track Meet . . .***

La France  
grabs the  
baton



A lonesome finish . . .



Twin City Meet





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Typical baseball action shot.





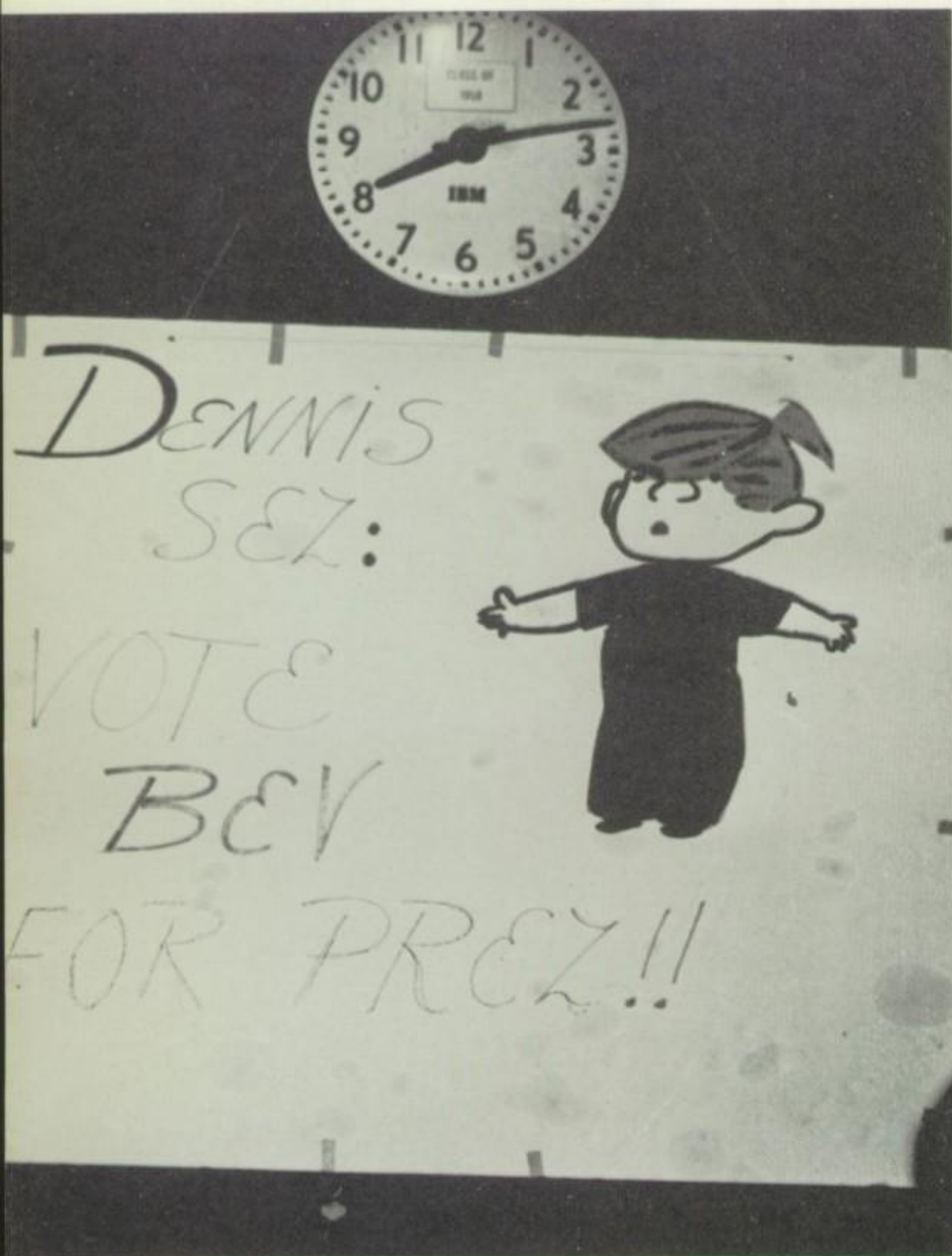


## Baseball Team





# Student Council Election



The winner's poster; that is, one of them.

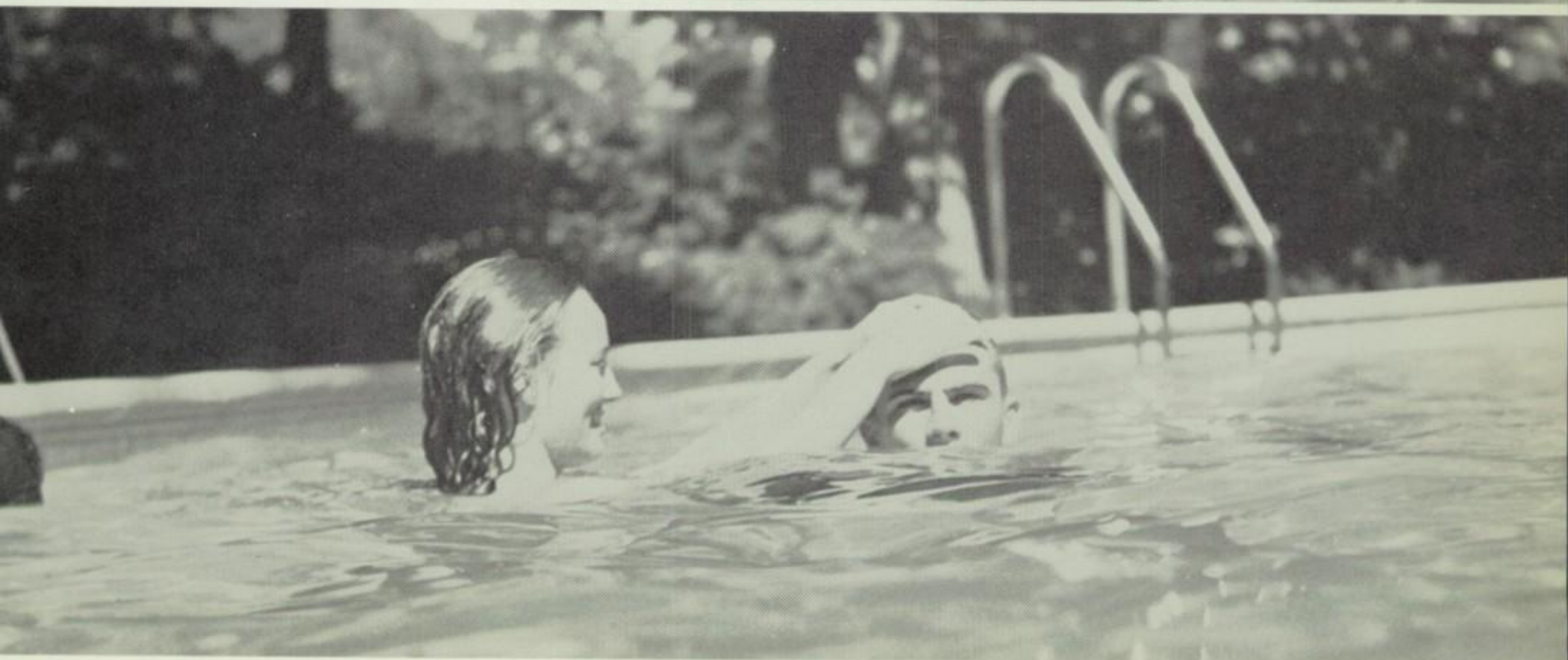
Beverly Franks wins





And they're off . . .

# The Favorite Sport In the Spring



He's almost under . . .



# **Annual Junior Assembly**

Backstage



The Crowd



They've Got My Goat





# **Advanced Chemistry Display Night Open to General Public**

Visitor look on . . .



Students  
Show  
Great  
Interest



# Spring Band Concert



The Big Bass



The Big Trumpets







**Kenneth Blue**  
**Best Photographer**  
**1959-60**  
**(Awards Day)**

**Bill Hodge**  
**Key Club**  
**Award**  
**1959-60**  
**(Awards Day)**



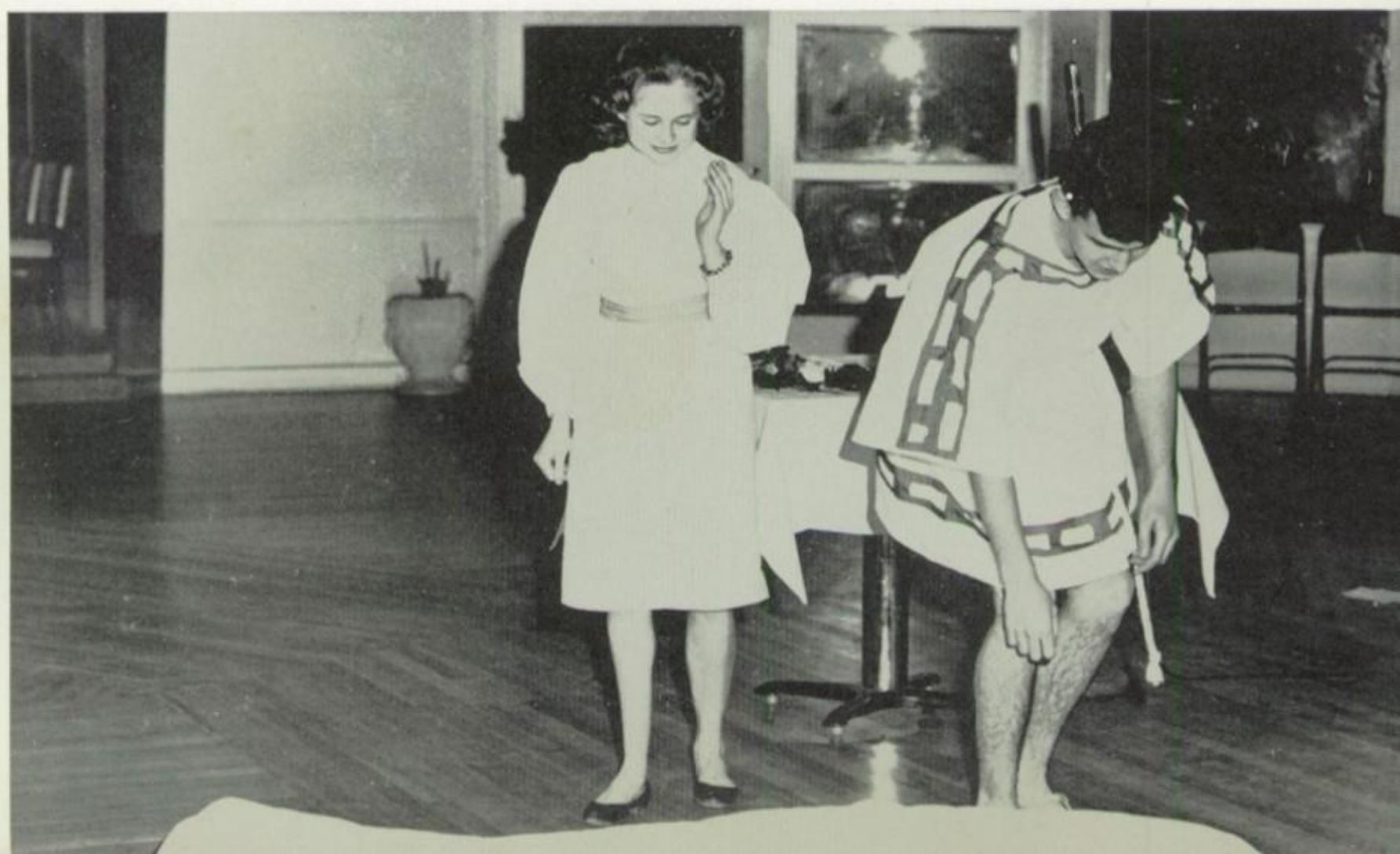


# **Latin Club**

## **Proves Active**



Club skit at banquet







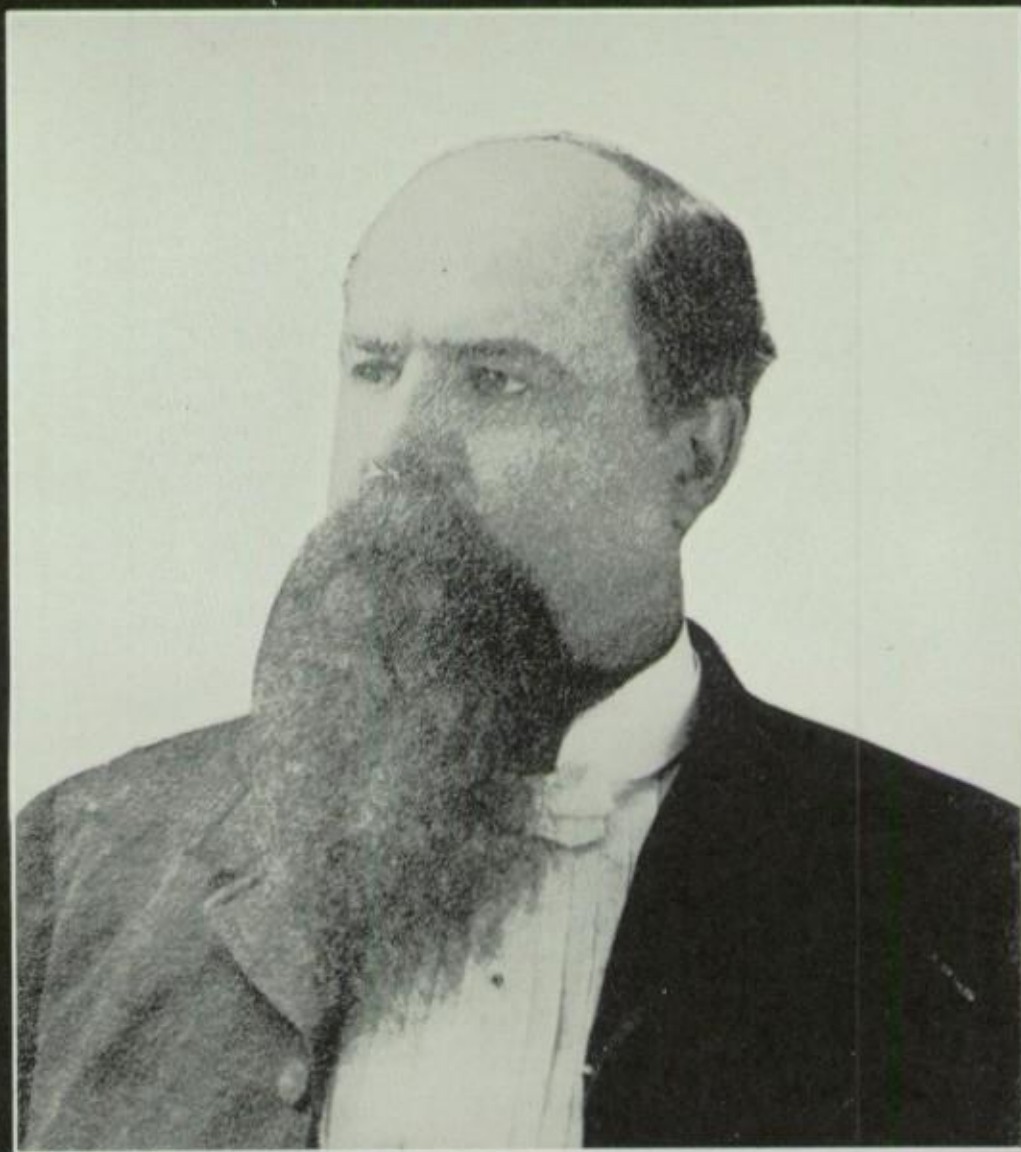
**Home Ec  
Banquet  
With  
Mr. Odom,  
Guest Speaker**



**FBLA Banquet  
and Installation**



## **Chapter VIII**



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# ***HISTORY***



# THE HISTORY OF THE MONROE CITY SCHOOLS

150 YEARS 1811-1961

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## THE PREFACE

For years there has been a definite need for a comprehensive history of the Monroe City School System. Several attempts have been made in the past to present historical sketches of the school system; most of them conflicted with one another. All available histories have been carefully checked; all conflicting material has been compared and corrected as far as possible; all available sources have been investigated, both written records and personal interview material. If additional information of any significance exists or facts can be found which contradict that which has been written in this history, they were unavailable to the author when the present material was compiled. A definite attempt was made to exhaust all sources of significant information.

The search for information for this history began ten years ago and has continued with regularity to the present time (January 1961). The following are the principal sources of information in this history: Ernest L. Neville, superintendent of Monroe City Schools, 1910-1948; Mr. Paul J. Neal, principal of Neville High School, 1937-1958; Mrs. Rebecca Kern Kahn, and Mrs. Jeannie Belle Weaks Trousdale, two of the four members of the first City High graduating class, 1888; Mr. Frank Breese and Mr. Jake Humble, City High Alumni; Mrs. Julia Wassman, City School teacher and principal; M and O Books of Monroe City Hall files, late 1800's and early 1900's; Newspaper Files of Louisiana State University Library, *The Ouachita Telegraph*, *The Monroe Bulletin*; Newspaper Files of Northeast Louisiana State College Library, *The Ouachita Telegraph*; Documents pertaining to legislation of Louisiana Schools and miscellaneous school items in the Louisiana Room of the LSU Library; Legislative Documents in the Louisiana State Library, the Huey P. Long Library and the Ouachita Parish Public Library; Legislative information from the Louisiana State Department of Education; Manning's History of Public Schools in Ouachita Parish; the History of Ouachita Parish High School; Monroyan, Neville High School yearbook, 1932, 1937; Neville Sizzler, school newspaper's miscellaneous files; Clerk of Court's Office, Ouachita Parish Court House, Monroe, Louisiana, various legal deeds, documents, files, etc.; school information in the files of St. Matthew's Catholic Church (pertaining to local Catholic school's relationship to public schools); personal files of Franklin Garrett, City School Superintendent, 1880-1889; files of Ouachita Female Academy, 1840-1899; files of Monroe City School System, 1896-1961; Neville High School files; and a host of other sources.

## THE HISTORY

Northeast Louisiana's first public school was located in Ouachita Parish on the block on which the Old Ouachita Parish Grammar School stood. The first administrators of the Ouachita School society were John Francis Girgard, Henry Bry and Louis Lamy. The School society purchased from a Mr. Girgard for \$300, three arpents of square 10 for the school which cost \$1,600. The school closed in 1816 because of the lack of support; this was primarily due to the general Louisiana depression which began in 1815. One of the teachers was Gevel P. Vinehill. The school was chartered by the University of Orleans under the Territory of Orleans (Louisiana today).

Thomas Bolling, governor of Louisiana made some attempt to systemize public education in the state, and in 1826 an act was passed by the state legislature to the effect that all parishes were to establish public schools; but according to one available source the Ouachita Parish system didn't begin until 1827, and according to another the system didn't begin until 1828; however, according to Fred Williamson's History of Northeast Louisiana, the Ouachita Parish Schools didn't get started well until about 1845. Under the act of 1827 the Ouachita School Society was incorporated. This organization was for the purpose of educating children in elementary school only (under the eighth grade). The society founded and operated a boys school, located on a portion of the school property donated by Don Juan Filhoil. The report of 1830 showed that the following teachers received \$50 per month: W. N. Anderson of Ward Nine and L. J. Givins of Ward 12. At that time Ouachita Parish embraced all of Northeast Louisiana, except, Catahoula and Concordia parishes.

In 1820, going back before the state formally organized schools, and even before the governor asked for a systemized educational program, the city of Monroe obtained permission to establish public schools. This was the time of incorporating of Monroe as a town. Before this time, Monroe was called Fort Miro. Although there is no authentic record of the first Monroe Public Schools, according to the best available analysis, the city system was probably superseded by the formation of the Ouachita School Society of 1827, since with the formation of the parish school system, there was hardly need for two public school systems in the same small town. The OSS operated almost exclusively within Monroe, or least, the greater part of its efforts were directed toward Monroe.

In 1837 the state legislature adopted a law authorizing the incorporation of private academies to educate the children and would give these schools \$1,000 per year if they would educate at least 10 poor children. Under this act, the Ouachita Female Academy was incorporated with the following trustees: R. F. McGuire, James W. Mason, Judge Henry Bry, Solomon W. Downes, M. J. Hamlin, Ephraim K. Wilson, John S. Lewis, Oliver J. Morgan, John A. Morgan, Hardy Holes, Henry C. Bartlett, John Williams and William Trent. Caroline B. Poole was one of the first teachers in 1837-38. In 1840 the venerable colonial brick building was erected on the corner of Wood at Jackson, facing Wood on the now Central Grammar School Corner. The first school principal was Rev. C. B. Hodges, rector of the local Episcopal Church. The first president of the board was W. M. Bry, and H. M. Bry was secretary-treasurer.

Colonel Henry O. McEnery was elected president in 1847 and C. D. Stillman was secretary-treasurer. In 1849 R. W. Richardson was elected president and Paul L. McEnery was elected secretary-treasurer. Prior to the war of 1861, almost all parish schools were actually semi-private, or private. R. C. Wyley of Carroll Parish (comprising East and West Carroll Parishes today) was appointed superintendent of Ouachita Parish Schools in 1836. In



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that year the Trenton School was operated by Rev. M. S. Chapman; also Summerfield Academy opened near Calhoun (the latter two were both private schools).

The Ouachita Female Academy as most of the other schools of the state was closed during the Civil War, from 1861 to 1864; in the fall of 1865, the OFA re-opened with Mrs. E. A. Winnfred as superintendent; in 1867 F. B. Larson leased the building. Thus after the Civil War the OFA ceased to be the private school that it was originally. It began to be constantly leased to one party, and then another; finally according to Franklin Garrett's report, the school was leased to the Monroe Public School System in 1881. In 1873 the building was leased to Colonel and Mrs. T. O. Bently; J. Lane Borden took over in 1876. In 1867 Franklin Garrett served as secretary of the OFA board until 1876 when he was elected as a trustee because of the death of G. Garrett. A conflict concerning operators of the academy existed, for according to notes by Manning, the Ouachita Female Academy was leased to the Catholic Priest, Father Gergard, in 1866, instead of to Mrs. Winnfred. Because of the tremendous success and popularity of the priest's schools, the lease was not renewed the next year. The Father Gergard had asked for a 10 year lease; the OFA had unquestionably enjoyed the greatest success in its history. Through obvious prejudice the lease renewal was not granted; because of this refusal, education suffered in Monroe, for according to the following years results, no other person was able to make a success of the academy. No person kept the school for very long (usually only a year). According to Williamson, the parish system of Ouachita after the civil War was really no system at all; it was pretty disorganized, poorly run by Negroes, Yankee carpetbaggers, Republicans and other incompetent parties; it was supported by Negroes and a few white Republicans children. In 1875, according to Williamson, the parish system operated eight public schools in Monroe with nine teachers and 774 students (apparently all Negroes and a few Republican's children). On the school were: O. H. Brewster, president; J. Winnemoser, secretary-treasurer; B. H. Dickgrave; F. M. Bannington and M. Peavy. There were also four private schools in Monroe, including St. Hyaseth's Academy established 1863, operated by the Catholic Church's Daughters of the Cross sisters of Shreveport; St. Hyaseths was located next to the Ouachita Female Academy building facing Wood Street and next to the Sheriff's office and the parish jail. The latter two of which were located on the southwestern corner of Wood and St. John Streets. The private schools had about 150 students enrolled in them (all whites and probably not including any Republicans). The male and female schools were receiving aid from the George Peabody Fund.

The Ouachita Parish School System was so poor, so unproductive, so inefficient, so contrary to the local people, plus being so overrun by Negroes and Republicans that it proved to be a thorn in the side of Louisiana public education. According to Manning, Williamson, newspaper reports, objective eyewitness testimony of individuals actually involved in the educational situation, the Monroe Public School Association was organized to counteract the obviously devastated OPS and provide equal, but separate public education for the white and Negro children of Monroe. Frank Moery, first president of the Monroe Public School Association purchased for the school system, according to Book S, Page 225 of the Ouachita Parish Court House, Lot 1, square 41 (80-140) on Washington Street at North 8th (NE corner). Morey was president of the MPSA; however according to other deeds, Stanley Bird was also at least acting president in 1869, for a time M. M. Brady was secretary of the board. Bird signed his name with an "X." Bird apparently took over as president after money had become temporary inactive for some time.

The Monroe Public School Association was chartered October 15, 1869 in the Ouachita Parish Court House by a small group of citizens, including a Negro; the school system was supposed to educate children of all races





## School Building 1885-1900

and creeds; but separate equal schools were to be provided for the two races. The act of incorporation was actually dated September 25, 1869, but it was not recorded until October 15 of that year. The term of the charter was 25 years; therefore its expiration date, if not renewed (and there is no evidence it was done so) was 1894.

Evidence that the school system operated and prospered is that in 1870 the state legislature granted \$2,000 to the Monroe Public Schools, according to the Book of Acts, State of Louisiana, 1870, Act. 35, Page 84, approved March 16, 1870, at a special session of the Legislature. Frank Morey was still president in 1871, according to newspaper story in *The Monroe Bulletin* of April 11, 1871. R. W. Richardson was president and superintendent of Ouachita Parish Schools at this time. He was succeeded by O. H. Brewster soon afterwards.

Reflecting the feelings of the white natives of the Parish, the following editorial in the *Ouachita Register* in 1875 relates: "There are schools in this parish more costly than those our fathers attended, built where only frogs and mosquitoes live and thrive and built when people were struggling to keep the wolf from the door. This system (Ouachita Parish School System) has been in operation for nine years (referring to the Carpetbag rule of the OPS), yet not a single scholar has been given to this parish by its operation."

T. H. Harris in his book "The Story of Public Education in Louisiana" commented: "The state would have been infinitely better off if it had not spent a dollar on public schools during those years of oppression and misrule. (Referring to the carpetbag and military rule of the Federal government). The system was doomed to failure from the onset, regardless of the character and ability of the men in charge of it." This is indicative of educators' impression of this darkened period of Louisiana public education.

Following the end of the war the Monroe Male Academy was operated on the old Ouachita Parish Grammar School property in a three room frame building. A Colonel Hall was principal of the Male School in 1878. According to Williamson, the Male School is the predecessor to the parish high school and old grammar school in Monroe. Professor O. A. Smith was superintendent of schools in Ouachita Parish in 1881.

The school term of 1881-82 was from October 3 to June 30. The tuition for those outside of Monroe was \$6.00 per month and the boarding fee was \$20.00 per month. Tuition for Monroians was \$4.00 per month. Three other parish schools in 1881 reported 40 boys, 20 girls, and 30 Negroes, boys and girls. No high schools existed in Northeast Louisiana as late as 1883, according to Williamson, however, the first high school in Northeast Louisiana was Monroe City High School, today's Neville High School, founded in the summer of 1885 by the Monroe City Council. More about this will be listed later. It is stated that students finished grammar school at 14 or 15 years of age and then they had to work in the fields, usually. C. C. Harris operated a private school in Mount Vernon, near Cheniere Bayou and his school offered "higher departments" (equivalent to high school or prep school subjects; however, there is no indication that this was a complete high school).

Some of the high school subjects offered in the above school were: University arithmetic, geometry, trigonometry, surveying, astronomy and chemistry. Tuition for sciences was \$3.00 per month and Latin, French, Greek, English eloquence (speech today) music, etc., was \$4.00 per month.

Another private school on the west bank of the Ouachita River was Cadeville Normal School and Commercial Institute which was established by W. M. Grant and was located about seven miles south of Calhoun. The school was opened in the middle 1800's. Alonzo P. Simpson was principal and A. J. Quod was president of the board of the Cadeville School.

In 1877, a property tax was passed for support of the Monroe Public Schools by the Monroe City Council. (M. & O. Book, page 117). On

December 4, 1877 there was only \$199.98 in the school treasury and two days later only \$35.39. However, \$1,006.90 collected from the three mill tax (Treasurers Report of 1878). In 1879 \$431.12 was deposited into the school funds. (June 7 to September 30). On December 6, 1880, \$195.00 was placed in the fund in currency. Franklin Garrett reorganized the school system which was inactive before 1880 for several years. He was appointed chairman of the school board, along with W. P. Renwick and J. G. Sanders. There were 90 pupils in the system's white schools. The schools opened the first Monday of November 1880, white male, white female, and colored (co-educational). The expenditures for the school year, (M & O Book for 1881, page 184) was \$3944.00. From December 2, 1880 to December 5, 1881 it was \$4471.00. From December 2, 1880 to December 5, 1881 it was \$4471.00.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY OF MONROE, STATE OF LOUISIANA,  
APRIL 17, 1880  
OUACHITA TELEGRAPH

"On the 6th of September, 1880 the following were appointed to take charge of the public schools of Monroe: Franklin Garrett, W. P. Renwick and John Sanders. Your committee on examination found that the public schools had not been in operation, subsequent to June 30, 1880. They found \$130.25 in the treasury to the credit of the school fund. Your committee at several meetings formulated a plan under which to organize and conduct the public schools, which plan has been uniformly adhered to.

We found many obstacles in the way to a successful handling of so vital a subject as that of education. Under many adverse circumstances we decided to open three schools on the first Monday of November, 1880 to wit: a white male school, a female school and a colored mixed school.

We had suitable buildings for the first and last, but none for the white female school for which we rented rooms until February, 1880. At the end of November, 1880 the school rolls showed a daily attendance for that month: white male school, 40; white female, 20; colored, 30.

We had employed three principals and one assistant teacher at a cost of \$210.00. The attendance gradually increased, the school buildings are in good repair and there is an abundance of wood. The community began to realize that we have endeavored to give them good schools.

That year 1880 closed with much encouragement in our financial condition which was healthy, and the citizens were losing their apathy and beginning to believe that their children needed education.

Amount of money on hand before 1880 school year	\$130.25
Collection for all sources	303.25

\$433.50

Franklin Garrett Esquire

According to another report by Franklin Garrett the female school rented quarters until March, 1881; then apparently moved into the Boeffschen property until July 31, 1881. Then the girls moved into the Old Ouachita Female Academy building. The city school system purchased part of the OFA mortgage for \$500.00. The Boeffschen property yielded good rent until its sale; the cash on hand on April, 1881 was \$3,913.51. During these first years under the administration of Garrett the school hours were from 9:00 to 4:00 five days a week. The report of October 1, 1883 on attendance was 101 white males, 86 females (white); 71 colored males and 61 colored females. According to *The Monroe Bulletin* of April 23, 1884 a "May Festival" was to take place the following month. The subjects taught that year were arithmetic, reading, world analysis, English, grammar, algebra, geography, U.S. History, objective teaching, writing and drawing.

Going back a few years, the schools kept open until July 31, 1881 and the teachers were always paid cash for their work. The sum of \$60.00 per month was paid to the principals. On February 18, 1881 The Boeffschen property for the white female school was purchased for \$2,075 with \$475 given in cash and the balance was to be paid in four equal annual payments. It faced 150 feet on Wood and 165 on Catalpa Street. The White Female school was kept there as previously stated, until July 31, 1881; then the house was rented.

The cash in the treasury was \$96.75 for January 1, 1881 with the receipts for that year \$3,992.09 equalling \$4,188.84. The first payment on the Boeffschen lot was \$475.00. In March, 1882 there were 224 pupils in the city schools. On March 17, 1882 the city schools acquired the control of the Ouachita Female Academy for \$1020.25 on a judgment; Mrs. L. S. Borden had the balance of the judgment. The transfer was filed in the clerk's office of the Fifth District in the parish.

This judgment bore 8% interest on \$1,021.25 and the balance of the Boeffschen property was 8% on \$1,200.00. The amount of money on hand January 1, 1882, was \$441.88. The salaries of the following were R. A. Smith, \$190.00, F. W. Barr, \$60.00 and W. M. Bessie, \$10.00.

Ordinance 553 of June 17, 1882 concerning the city schools read as follows:

"That a committee to be known as the school committee shall be appointed by the mayor and subject to approval by the city council—shall have full coverage of the Monroe Public Schools. The committee shall be appointed and shall consist of three, two councilmen and if third member is not a councilman, the mayor shall appoint the third."

Franklin Garrett was permanent president of the Ouachita Education Association, according to the *Ouachita Telegraph* of September 12, 1885. Apparently this was a society of the Ouachita Parish Schools, the Monroe City Schools and private schools. Also at this time a parish school committee of M. J. Liddell, A. A. Gunby and Thomas O. Benton was appointed to seek a means of forming a high school for the whole parish. However, the Monroe City System had taken a quicker step and already organized a high school, the previous summer of 1885.

According to an issue of the *Ouachita Telegraph* in September 1885, the schools were to open October 1 in Monroe. In 1886 the *Telegraph* further reports that on April 26 a request was made that all city school funds and the amounts therein should be transferred to the Parish of Ouachita. The amounts received on May 1, 1886 were Boeffschen property sale, \$350.00, tuition, \$426.00, state school fund, \$247.53, taxes residence of Monroe \$142.50 and cemetery lots, \$111.28.

School was to open September 20, 1886, according to the *Telegraph*; several teachers were needed for the white schools as well as the colored schools. Ordinance 625 stated that Garrett was to receive \$300.00 October 6, 1886. During these early years of the system things were slow, difficult and uncertain, for the struggles and hardships of Garrett and other courageous men were indicative of this fact. However, the city school system was getting stronger with advent of the first high school department in the Northeastern part of the state; Monroe City High School became famous and the apparent end of the Ouachita Parish School System. Franklin Garrett was made full superintendent of the Monroe City Schools in the summer



of 1886. In 1887 school opened October 3 with Mrs. M. J. Evans as girls' principal and L. R. Lacy as assistant; the other members of the teaching staff of the female school were B. Spiehr, J. L. Kathan and J. C. Howley. The principal of the male school was W. R. Harnish, W. V. Barrett, F. W. Blees. The Negro personnel were F. W. Barrington, principal of the Wisner School and Mary Clark, assistant. For the 1887-1888 school term the staff included: Alice Henry, A. M. Allen, H. L. Drank, M. J. Hunt, Eva Cozier; Joseph E. Odell was the boys principal and M. J. Evans was the girls principal. Tuition for Monroe City Children was free and those of Ward 3, but everyone else had to pay \$2.00 per month. F. W. Barrington was still principal of the colored school and received \$40.00 per month. Franklin Garrett was invited to speak at the first commencement of the Arcadia Male and Female College (academy) by the principal, J. W. Beeson. A certain O. P. Chambers, according to the Garrett letters, had requested information concerning the operation of the Monroe Public Schools to set an example for others. Mrs. M. J. Evans, who had served as white school principal for so many years, requested a \$30.00 advance in salary on September 26, 1887.

The state superintendents convention was held in Baton Rouge in 1888 to discuss the school laws, taxes, better supervised systems, establishment of school districts, question of placing the schools in the charge of police juries of the parishes.

Two years before this, the famous superintendent of education for Louisiana, Warren Easton, sent Garrett \$200.00 for assistance and also asked Easton for assistance from the Peabody (Educational) Fund.

Also, in December of 1886, Warren Easton came to Monroe to visit the schools and according to a later report he stated that he wished all of the state schools were in as good a shape as those of the city system.

However, one of the strangest requests came from Warren Easton to Franklin Garrett, when according to actual correspondence from Easton to Garrett, the former requested the City Superintendent to speak at the state superintendents meeting on the following topic: "Duties of a Parish Superintendent"; Garrett, of course was a city school superintendent. The meeting was to take place on February 5 and 6, 1887, in New Orleans.

However, a later topic was sent to him which was as follows: "How to Establish Greater Schools in Towns." The latter topic was more in line with the knowledge of Garrett. On October 20, 1886, Warren Easton sent Garrett a personal letter congratulating him on the fine job he was doing as superintendent. In August of 1886 the principals salaries was \$600.00 per year and assistants were paid around \$500.00 a year.

Mr. Garrett stated after returning from Bastrop in 1887 that the former has old style of teaching, and methods and that Monroe employed new and up-to-date methods. On September 27, 1887, Mr. Garrett told a Miss Annie Hayes that she must have a teachers certificate if she wanted to continue teaching. He further stated that the four girls who were to be graduated in June of 1888 would each receive a teachers certificate, and he urged all young ladies to take full advantage of the wonderful opportunities offered by the only public high school in Northeast Louisiana, Monroe City High School, (Neville High School).

According to a Garrett report "assistant teachers" received \$45.00 per month; the notice appeared in *The Monroe Bulletin*, August 4, 1886. Extensive repairs were made on the Ouachita Female Academy Building in 1886; according to reports from Garrett, this would reduce the money that the city was to pay for the building in notes.

In 1886 a night school was offered by P. S. Graces and W. C. Garnett, the latter became superintendent of the city school system afterwards, see the list of superintendents.

C. E. Byrd was, before the consolidation, principal of the Parish Boys and girls school in 1889, located in the old Monroe Male Academy building, on the present OPGS land. Byrd was once manager (or head) of the Ouachita Parish Teachers Institute, the local school teachers organization. He became assistant principal under J. E. Keeny in the merged school during the year 1890-1892.

According to reports of the *Ouachita Telegraph* of September 8, 1889, the city school system composed of four grammar, four primary and three years of high school. The following is a list of the school curriculum of this year: reading, spelling, writing, grammar, composition, rhetoric, literature, arithmetic, algebra, geometry, trigonometry, history, English government, geography, physiology and hygiene, physics, drawing, Latin, vocal music, and gymnastics. On June 26 and 27, 1888, the first Monroe City High School graduation took place in the Opera House on South Grand Street. It took two days, then, because of the elaborate program that was presented, such as vocal numbers, recitation, exhibitions and the like.

The four graduates were Jeannie Belle Weeks, Margaret Garrett, Mollie Hanna and Rebecca Kern. It is not known why any boys did not graduate except as, Mrs. Kahn (Kern) has stated, they just didn't complete enough work to warrant being graduated.

The exact program, according to eye witness reporting of the *Ouachita Telegraph* of June 23, 1888 as follows: (Tuesday, June 26, 1888 at 8:00 p.m.):

Song—Male and Female Academics, Paradise and the Pearl; Alphabet Song—Male School

Old Time Plays and "Children of the Year" presentations made.

Japanese Fan Drill, and

Tambourine Drill;

(Wednesday, June 27, 1888 at 12:00 noon):

Annual Address—Honorable Joseph M. Breaux, State Superintendent of Public Education (Mr. Breaux was unable to keep the date—O.T.)

Music—El Travatore—Mrs. M. J. Evans and E. Hanna

Essay—Monan's Mission—Rebecca Kern

Essay—Life—Mollie Hanna

Music—Beautiful Moonlight—Hanna and Wright

Essay—The Pleasures of Solitude—Rebecca Kern

Essay—My School Days are Over and Give Me Reighs—Jeannie Belle Weeks

Music—Graduation Song—Class

Awarding Diplomas

Annual Sermon—Rev. W. C. Friley

Music—Beautiful are Thy Towers—Mrs. Evans, Miss Hanna, Prof. Duke, and

Benediction.

It must be noted that Superintendent Breaux did not make the commencement, for he was detained in Baton Rouge for some reason. The commencement was well attended, according to the *Telegraph*.

Some of the rules of 1888, according to *The Monroe Bulletin* were as follows: one unexcused absence and three tardies equaled a suspension; there were no guns, gum or tobacco allowed on the school grounds, and cleanliness was to be observed at all times.



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In 1889 the schools had the following students, high school, 1 boy, 13 girls; grammar school, 16 boys and 17 girls; primary school 29 boys and 24 girls. In the Wisner Colored School there were 20 boys and 20 girls.

The first City Teachers Institute (predecessor to present Monroe City Teachers Association) was formed October 26, 1889 with the first meetings scheduled for this time postponed shortly afterwards. Some of the officers of the Ouachita Parish Teachers Institute were C. E. Byrd Manager and Franklin Garrett, Aims and Benefits. Other members included: F. W. Bies, R. R. Bently and Eugene Ives on February 23, 1889.

On October 20, 1888, the Ouachita Parish School Board decided to initiate ten school districts in Ouachita Parish with Monroe's forming the tenth district and wards 1 to 9 serving as the other nine; no action was taken by the mayor and the city council upon the immediate presentation of this apparent subtle merger plan of the parish system. The new Ouachita Parish School Board in 1888 consisted of Dr. E. N. Potts, S. Whited, W. H. Anders, E. R. Guyton, J. L. Kaliski, F. H. Cann, T. J. Humble, and D. M. Sholars, superintendent.

In October of 1888, F. W. Blees was appointed Principal of the entire city school since there was only one male-female white school, beginning with this year. Other teachers included Miss C. Cumwell, Mrs. M. J. Evans, Miss Eva Cozier, T. W. White, Lida Benton, Lelia Johnson, F. W. White, and F. W. Barrington of the Colored school.

The faculty for the 1889-1890 school year included: F. W. Blees, principal, F. W. Barrington, negro principal; Miss M. Massingale, Miss Jennie Belle Weeks, Miss P. Purrett, Mr. C. Connell, Joe Calnord, John Sunes.

The following concerns an apparent merger attempt:

#### FROM THE OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE OUACHITA PARISH SCHOOL SYSTEM: FALL, 1888

Whereas the public schools of the City of Monroe are now under the management and control of the Mayor and the City Council of Monroe, and whereas all public schools in the state—those of the Parish of Orleans only excepted shall be managed and controlled by the parish school boards of the different parishes in the state, be it therefore,

Resolved that the superintendent of the parish school board and W. H. Anders and W. R. Guyton are hereby appointed a committee to wait upon the Honorable mayor and the city council of Monroe and to notify that honorable board that desiring to comply with the requirements of the law the parish school board of Ouachita Parish requests the honorable mayor and city council of Monroe that the control and management of the public schools in the city of Monroe be relinquished by the Honorable Mayor and the city council of Monroe in favor of the Ouachita Parish School Board.

Be it further resolved that the superintendent of Ouachita Parish School Board be and is hereby further authorized and empowered to represent the Ouachita Parish School Board in all matters incident to the transfer of the control and management of the public schools of the city of Monroe to the Ouachita Parish School board and to review and receipt for on behalf of the said board all moneys now in the treasury of the city of Monroe for the account of the public schools fund and which may hereafter be paid therein for account of the said fund."

Thus, with the so called utmost desire to suddenly be "law abiding" citizens the Ouachita Parish School System decides that the Monroe City School System is being operated unlawfully and therefore should be incorporated within the not yet substantial Ouachita Parish School system. At the time, the Parish schools were searching for a way to open a "Ouachita Parish High School" and the graduation of 1888 of the city system, according to Mr. Neville really had an explosive effect on the parish system





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which didn't even have a high school in the entire parish. It hardly had any elementary schools of any appreciable quality, to be sure.

This shocking and bold command was not received with favor by the Monroe city officials who answered in also verbatim statements as follows: (OUACHITA TELEGRAPH—November 24, 1888, Vol. XXVI, No. 15) Ordinance 651

"Be it ordained by the Mayor and the City Council of Monroe 1st, That the demand of the parish school board of the Parish of Ouachita embraced in their resolution passed on the 6th day of October, 1888 and just communicated to us by D. M. Sholars, parish superintendent and secretary of the said board in which the control of the Public schools of the city of Monroe and the funds raised by taxation and otherwise for their support are demanded by the said parish school board, is rejected in all its parts.

2nd, That the management and control of the said city public schools shall remain and continue in the council of Monroe, acting through their own school commission as heretofore and that all funds raised by taxation and otherwise for the support of the said city public schools shall be paid into and retained in the city treasury for the aid purpose, shall remain under the control of the Mayor and be paid out only under their authorization and order as heretofore.

3rd, That while not denying on any part of the parish or state school board such a report the school committee of the city of Monroe is hereby instructed to deliver that state school boards through the school board of the parish of Ouachita, a copy of their monthly report of the condition of the public schools of Monroe, but that the said action and report shall not confer upon the said board any right, authority or permission to interfere in any manner with the duties or actions of the said city school commission or the control of the said public schools, the said school commission and the city public schools being and remaining under the exclusive control and management of the Mayor and city council of Monroe.

Adopted November 13, 1888

A. J. Herring, Mayor

M. S. Meridith, secretary.

Of course, the Ouachita Parish School board did not give up with this simple, but firm rejection by the Monroe city officials. They were determined to "legally" take over the prospering and apparently somewhat superior school system.

The following is the verbatim report by the Ouachita Parish School board, according to the Ouachita Telegraph of July 6, 1889:

OUACHITA PARISH SCHOOL BOARD OFFICE:

"The committee appointed to confer with the mayor and the city council of Monroe in relation to the city schools, having reported a failure to secure from that body a compliance with the request of this board as embodied in the resolution passed on the 6th of October, 1888 last; it was:

Resolved that the Parish superintendent of the schools be and is authorized to establish in the city of Monroe a central high school.

That the said school shall be known and designated as "Ouachita Parish Central High School."

That it shall be a graduated school of six grades with a junior and senior term in the high school department upon the following plan . . .

"(A long, drawn out list of subjects and prescribed textbooks to be used from the first to the sixth grades and then those of the junior and senior grades were given. NOTE that the parish system apparently only wanted EIGHT GRADES in the OPCHS, instead of the ELEVEN GRADES, that were a part of Monroe City High School (three in high school)).

The school was scheduled to open on Monday, September 30, 1890 in Monroe and was for whites in Monroe and the 10th school district (Ward 10) and all persons of these designated areas could attend, 6—18 years old.

The parish wanted all city school furniture, etc., to be obtained through the parish school board. The parish made its demand according to "Section 54, Act 11 of 1888 Louisiana State Legislature 'To Regulate Public Education in Louisiana.'"

The last graduating class under the hands of the city system was that of 1890 with the following being graduated: Elizabeth Trousdale, Tommie Haughton, Fannie Kern, Mattie Harrison, Nellie Wright, Mollie Jowers, John J. Potts.

Harry Ransom was principal for the 1890-91 school year.

J. E. Keeney was principal for the 1891-1892 and 1892-1893 sessions with C. E. Byrd serving assistant principal. The money for the 1891-1892 school year was as follows: City of Monroe, \$5,026.50, Ouachita Parish, \$2,050.22 and other \$175.23. This is indicative of the immense contributions that the city made toward the operation of the combined school system, plus the use of the city school building, the Ouachita Female Academy, and some of its teachers.

There were no graduating classes in 1891 and 1892, but this was probably due to the change over and the resettling of the new merged Monroe City-Ouachita Parish School System. The class of 1893 consisted of Warren Garrett, Allen Sholars, and J. N. Stafford. The class of 1894 consisted of Helen Vaughan, May Breard, Debbie Kaliski, Franklin Garrett and Benton Millsaps. These two classes were graduates of the merged school under the new name of Ouachita Parish Central High School. For the next six years there were no graduating classes, due to the resettling of the city school system. The parish system began construction of Ouachita Parish High School in 1894.

At the end of the spring term, the city school system, after four years of captivity, at last gained its independence forever. Although several merger attempts have been made by the Ouachita Parish School System since that time, they have been wholly futile. The consolidated school ended with the July 2, 1894 commencement at the Opera House, belonging to J. B. Garretson, and located on South Grand Street.

The teachers for the new city school were: R. R. Bently, principal, Ruby Benoit, W. C. Garnett, Jim Douglas, B. J. Sanders, Lina Bankley, E. M. Wallace, Sue Lockridge, M. A. Wade, A. B. Taylor and Laura Wright (April 1895). F. W. Barrington still served as principal of the negro school.

On July 16, 1894 at City Hall, according to M. & O. Book, page 11 "The City of Monroe at this time does not own one foot of school property for the education of White Children." The Wisner School was located on the northeastern corner of Washington street for the Wisner Colored School. The Ouachita Female Academy Building still belonged to the board of directors of that institution, although it hadn't been in operation as a cooperate school since before the Civil War. The city did own part of the mortgage of the academy building and did own Boeffenschen property, but sold the latter in the mid-1880's.

In 1896 the Potts Property was purchased, lot 17, between N. 3rd and N. 4th Streets and fronting 270 feet on each of these streets and was 300 feet deep between these streets; it was not on the corner, but next to the corner from Breard Street. The property was purchased January 6, 1896, and the house on its was known as the Gayle School until 1899 when it was sold. This house was torn down in 1955, but there still exist pictures illustrating the house fully from its front.

On May 4, 1896, a resolution was made by the city council to the following effect:

That the mayor, two men appointed by him and two members at large shall constitute the city school board; the first new board consisted of A. J. Herring, Mayor—president; G. T. Moore and Fred Endem were appointed; W. N. Potts and E. H. Rills were elected. In 1897 the Ouachita Female Academy was leased from July 1, 1897 to June 30, 1898. On October 3, 1898 there was a resolution asking that a new city grammar and high school be erected. Ordinance 974 authorized that \$20,000 should be spent for the erection of the school buildings; the money was to be obtained from November 9, 1898, bond issue. There were some more attempts at this time, more or less talk, to merge with the parish and have one combined high school, not necessarily one school system. Nothing ever came about concerning this matter.

In 1899 the city received and accepted a low bid from Sacks and Sibb of Indianapolis, Indiana, for \$38,450 for the construction of the present Central Grammar building (then known as Monroe City High School). On March 6, 1899 the city advertised for the sale of the Gayle property and the Kinderman block (the latter was bordered by the following streets: Layton, South 3rd, South 4th, and Stone Ave. There was no school building located on the latter block, but there was a house in the center of the block. The whole property was used mainly for the recreation of the city children.

The city asked the board of directors of the Ouachita Female Academy to relinquish its property for the erection of the school there. After much deliberation the board gave the property under one primary condition, that it would not be used for anything else, except the education of children of Monroe; or if it were sold that the money must be used to purchase other property to replace the land sold.

The Young Catholic Friends Society owned a small portion of the city block in question, the Catholic sisters, Daughters of the Cross, owned St. Hyacinth's School and their Convent located there, and the St. Matthew's Catholic Church was also located on this property. On this land too were: The Richardson Office, C.&A. Office, Father Enout's house, The Parish Jail, the Sheriff's Office and a residence of a layman. All were purchased, except the priest's home. He stayed on the land several years after the central grammar school was erected. Mr. Neville said he used to watch the old priest work in his garden, for he, Mr. Neville, could see him from his classroom window.

The sisters were forced to sell much against their will, and according to Sister Raphael, now deceased, the following account is given. "We were literally forced into the streets and we spent a couple of nights in the streets of Monroe in our houses which were being moved, quite slowly on horse drawn rollers."

Mr. Neville came to Monroe from the University of North Carolina, in 1900 as a Latin teacher; he also organized a city football team that year as a part of the Monroe Athletic Club. Two years later he became principal of Monroe City High School and remained in that capacity while teaching until 1910. In that year he became superintendent of the city school system and held this position until his retirement in 1948.

The entire city school system at the time consisted of only the grammar-high school building and a small negro school. Therefore, the work of the superintendent was virtually that of the present-day principal, and that of the principal was in reality comparable to an assistant principal's job today.



In the early 1920's the Monroe Colored High School-Grammar School was constructed on Breard Street, presently called Clark School (elementary). During the following decade Mr. Neville wisely and farsightedly planned four city elementary schools to serve in strategic locations of the city. On the Southside, Barkdull Faulk, named for a Neville Alumnus and Lida Benton, named for a Neville teacher, were constructed. Georgia Tucker was built on the Northside of town and named for the mother of the donor of the school land. Sherrouse was built in the college area and was named after the addition in which it stands.

In the national magazine, the New Southwest, March, 1905, a feature article on the Monroe City High School appeared. It was stated that in the 1904-05 school year, there were 90 students in high school and 490 in elementary school, first to eighth grade. Twenty-two teachers composed the entire school faculty; all were college graduates. The high school department was divided into two years of required work and two years of elective work (previously cited). The elective subjects included the following: classical English and History, Scientific Mathematics, and Commercial subjects, Bookkeeping, typing, stenography, commercial law, special teaching emphasis was placed on the commercial courses. At the end of the second year of high school, the student indicated what his choice of college or university was, and special emphasis was placed in preparation for that chosen institution. Other subjects taught in the school included physics, chemistry, biology, etc.

The school system consisted of twelve grades, and one of the two in the state with a free kindergarten; the only other school system in Louisiana which offered free kindergarten to the public was the Orleans Parish Schools. The Monroe City High School was one of the most notable of its size in the nation, comparable to the excellent schools of the middle and western states (considered among the finest in the nation in those days). The magazine further noted that not more than 36 pupils were assigned each teacher. Vocal music and drawing were featured in all 12 grades of the school system along with the other regular subjects taught in each respective grade. The school library contained 2,000 books, a large collection for a school the size of MCHS and MCGS (combined).

This is the very glowing description featured in The New Southwest Magazine, a tremendous tribute to Monroe High (Neville), one of America's finest public high schools at the turn of the century, according to the report.

The following is a verbatim account of the House bill 409 of the Louisiana State Legislature, concerning the liquidation of property, funds, and so on of the defunct Monroe Public School Association, incorporated October 15, 1869, and previously cited in this history.

**ACT OF THE LOUISIANA LEGISLATURE, HOUSE BILL 409,  
OCTOBER 21, 1926.**

"To authorize the City of Monroe to provoke judicial liquidation of the property, funds, and affairs of the 'Monroe Public School Association,' incorporated October 15, 1869, and especially empowering said judicial liquidation to recorder, take possession of administrator and sell all the property belonging to the said corporation, Monroe Public School Association, and to turn over the proceeds to the City of Monroe to be used exclusively for education.

Whereas, by the act of incorporation dated, September 25, 1869 and filed and recorded October 15, 1869, the Monroe Public School Association was incorporated at Monroe in the Parish of Ouachita by certain citizens of that residence for the declared purposes of keeping and maintaining a public school for education of children, regardless of race or color, and terms for charter for 25 years.

Provides that the property can be liquidated and funds used for education."

According to the provisions of the charter, it was to become void in 1895, 25 years after 1869. Nothing was done about the former assets of the Monroe Public School Association, since the Monroe Public School System, directly under the jurisdiction of the City of Monroe came into being, officially, in 1880, under the guidance of Superintendent Franklin Garrett (Chairman of the School Board, 1880-1885; official superintendent, 1885-1889).

In the late 1920's elaborate plans were formulated for the construction of a new city high school. Mr. Neville didn't want to erect just any ordinary high school, but the best obtainable at that time, and the city school system went all-out to make the new school something Monroe could be proud of for years to come.

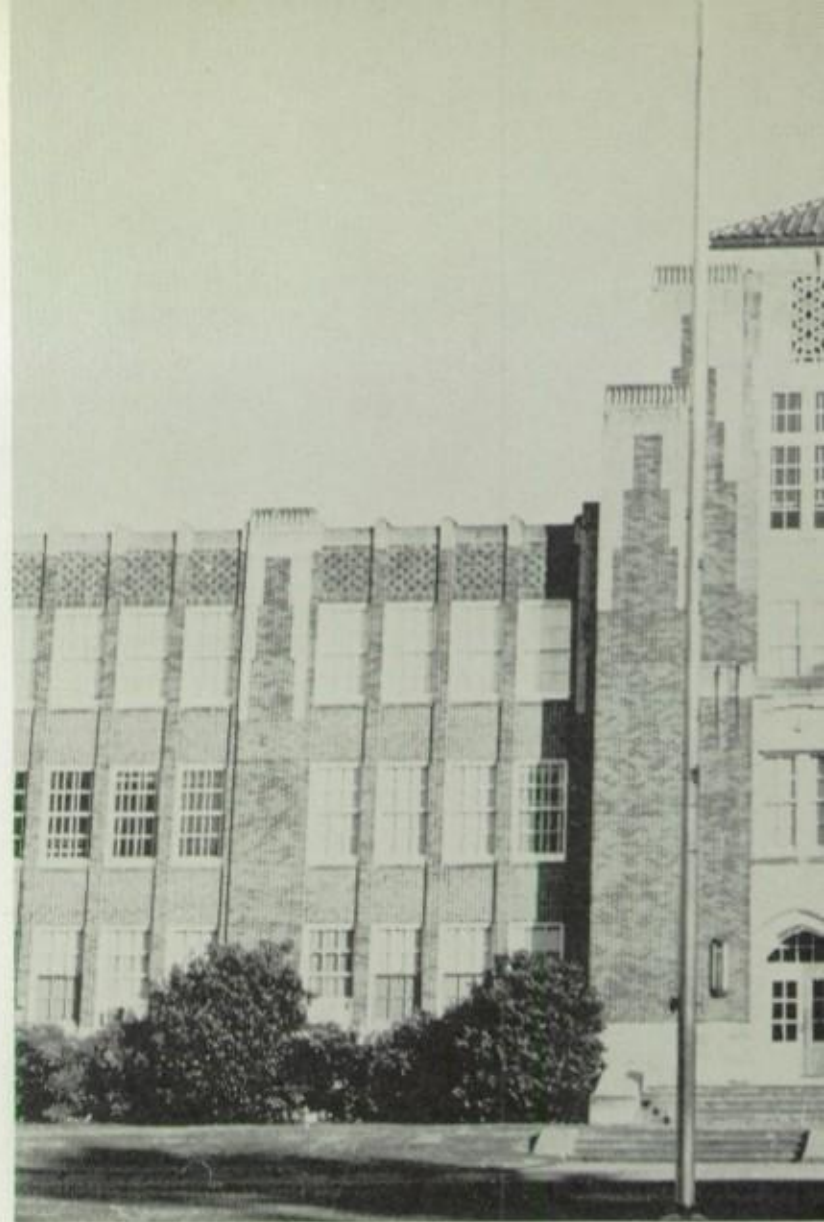
The school was to be built to serve generations of students; since that early planning of the new city high school climaxed years of great work by Mr. Neville and prompted the Monroe City High School Alumni Association to unanimously vote to have the new school named in honor of Mr. Neville. The Monroe City School Board voted favorably on the request. Thus, the Monroe City High students who returned to school after the 1930-31 school year found themselves in a new building with a new name in a new section of town with a new principal who had many new ideas. Mr. Arnold Bernstein, Monroe Mayor and president of the City School Board was also very instrumental in the construction of the new school.

The present Neville building was occupied for the first time in the fall of 1931 with Dr. Charles E. Kenny's serving as principal. In spite of the new building was a new name, the school was basically the same fine old institution which has served the citizens of Monroe since 1885.

The new school boasted the first student council in Louisiana and one of the first in the nation. The privilege of allowing the seniors to walk down the main aisle while the underclassmen sat was introduced this first year.

Mr. Paul J. Neal who later became principal was retained as football coach and was succeeded by Percy Brown a year later. Mr. Neal became coach under the combined Ouachita Parish-Monroe City Tiger football team known as "Monroe Tigers" in 1926. Coach Bill Ruple joined the NHS coaching staff in 1937 and left Neville with Mr. Brown after the 1941 grid season. Mr. Elgin Boggs became coach in 1942 and quit after the 1943 season. Devone Payne was head coach in 1944 and Coach Ruple returned in 1945 and was made head coach, a position he still holds. Neville won the state football championship in 1911, 1955 and 1959. Neville's only basketball championship was won in 1957; the Tigers won their first baseball championship in 1953 and repeated this accomplishment two more years in a row, and once more in 1958. Several golf, tennis and boxing state championships have also been added to the Neville list of athletic achievements. The Neville-Ouachita football rivalry was renewed in 1949 with Neville's winning all the games to date except the 1949 encounter. The Tigers added West Monroe High to be scheduled in 1953 and has won all the games to date in the WMHS series except two.

In 1950 the Monroe City School Board requested a group of professors from the Bureau of Educational Research, College of Education at LSU to conduct a survey of the Monroe City School System. The group conducted



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an extensive investigation and made a number of recommendations; most of them were followed, either wholly or in part with some modification. The primary recommendations were the erection of two new elementary schools, one on the Northside of town, Lexington Avenue, and one on the Southside of town, Plum Street; a new gymnasium at Neville; a new Negro High School, Carroll; a new Negro elementary school and repairs to existing school buildings.

Mr. J. M. Boyet was superintendent from 1948-1952; during his relatively short administration he succeeded in putting into effect an extensive city school bus system and was responsible for the above mentioned progress. However, many of these building projects were completed after Mr. Boyet resigned.

Mr. Van D. Odom became superintendent in 1952 and holds that office today. During Mr. Odom's terms of office to date, junior high schools have been erected, extensive repairs made to existing buildings and plans made for complete renovation of Neville High School, the erection of a new South Monroe High School, additional white elementary schools, and other major improvements to the city school system. Central Grammar School, the old Monroe City High School, was abandoned as for school purposes in 1957; the building is presently being used to house City School administrative offices and to store supplies and equipment for the system.

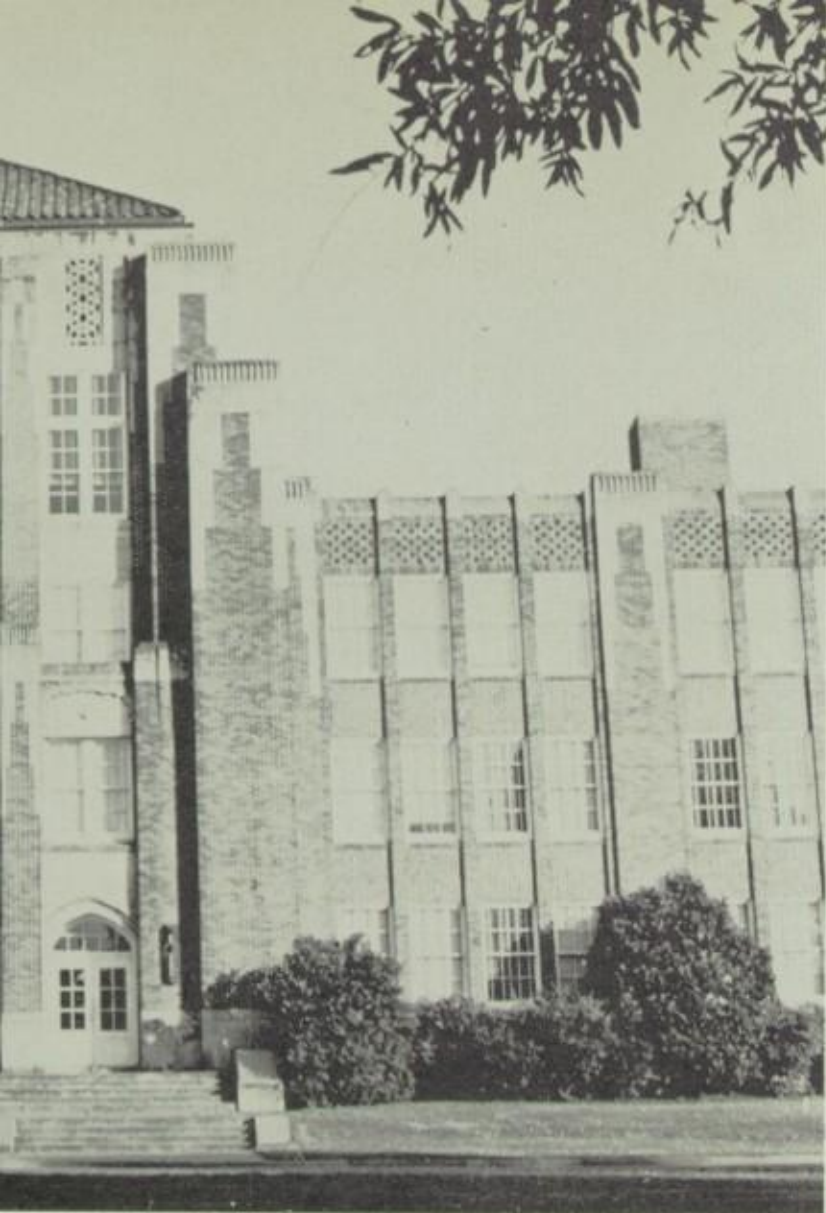
From its opening in 1931, Neville was a junior-senior high school, but the situation changed with the opening of the two new junior high schools, Lee (formerly North Monroe Junior High) and Jefferson (formerly South Monroe Junior High) in 1957. Neville is presently a four year senior high school. Mr. Sidney A. Seegers, first principal of Lee and former NHS guidance counselor and science and math teacher, became NHS principal when Mr. Paul Neal was made city high school supervisor director of testing a new position created in 1958.

Under Mr. Seegers' guidance the school has progressed immensely; the cafeteria was completely renovated; the curriculum was overhauled with several new subjects being added, Journalism I, II, Speech I, II; Advanced Physics, Advanced Mathematics and Physical Education was made a five day a week class for boys. A modern printing shop was added in 1959 with Mr. Sammy R. Danna's becoming its first director; Mr. Danna also was made Neville Sizzler, Monroyan sponsor, plus public relations director that year.

Five new members were elected in 1952, Mrs. James A. Noe, Floyd Martin (died and was replaced by Grayson Guthrie), Billy Gannaway, Tom Scott (president), and E. F. Jones; this board was re-elected in 1956. Only Mr. Guthrie and Mr. Gannaway were returned to the new school board in 1960 after serving two successive terms. Mr. Scott was defeated for re-election and Mrs. Noe and Mr. Jones decided against seeking a third term of office. The 1960 school board saw these new faces present: J. H. Scogin (president), Eddy Whetstone and Frank Breese to join Gannaway and Guthrie.

In 1948 another unsuccessful attempt was made to take the Monroe City School system; this one failed similar to the one in 1911. It was Monroe's own Luther Hall, who was governor in 1912, who put the city school system on sound footing, legally, through influence of his executive power. The Monroe City School system's operation is provided for in the present state constitution. Along with the Lake Charles City Schools founded at the turn of the century and the Bogalusa City Schools (the latter a relatively recent innovations, 1948), the Monroe City Schools constitute the only other city school systems in the state. There are 64 parish systems in Louisiana and three city school districts, thus forming one of the most consolidated types of state public school operations in the entire nation.





## School Building 1931-

The following concerns Neville clubs and organizations:

In 1945 the Neville Tigerettes came into being to form the present organization which is known far and wide throughout the state. However, it was not until 1948 that the organization really got on its feet. In that year Lawrence Willey became pep squad director and head basketball coach. Under Willey the girls became the most outstanding high school pep squad in the South; their fame and accomplishments were recognized quite extensively. Under the brilliant leadership of Mr. Willey a small band of fair marching girls became a large squad of precision marching young ladies. Truly, the foundation of the present, modern Tigerette marching unit owes its beginning to Lawrence Willey. Successors to Mr. Willey have carried on much of the fine tradition and work he began; Mr. Willey left Neville in 1952 to accept a high administrative post at Harvard University. His successors include: Luther Jones, Howard Mansfield, Billy Hammock, Herbert Gathright and John Earl Taylor. Some of the outstanding organizations at Neville include the Latin Club, founded in 1922, the International Quill and Scroll, William Wunsch Chapter, established in 1933; the Home Ec Club, founded 1927 (now merged into the Future Homemakers of America, national organization), the French Club, founded in 1921 by Mrs. Alf Reid and Mrs. Austin Miller, Future Business Leaders of America, established in 1952, the National Thespian Society, established 1949, (predecessor The Dramatics Club, founded 1931), Gamma Rho Science Club, (now known as The Science Club) founded 1929, the Student Council, founded 1931 Hi-Y, established in the early 1920's, Sigma Sigma Society, founded 1914, Key Club, established in 1954 and a host of other newer organizations and clubs at the city high school.

The Neville High School Band was organized in 1929 by Mr. Clint Walker; however, its life was short since only an orchestra remained the sole instrumental musical organization when the city high became Neville in 1931. The orchestra was founded 1916, directed by Mr. Larry Jefferson, beginning in 1931 until 1934. Mr. Clint Walker was founder of the Neville Band; Mr. Charles Gausshell was band director in the mid 1930's.

Mr. Cannon was band director after World War II and was replaced by Mr. Larry Parks director until Mr. John Davis took over in 1951; Mr. Herbert Gathright became band director in 1957 and under his leadership his bands have amassed more high honors than any other band in Neville history. Highlights of the recent band accomplishments were playing in the Senior Bowl Football game at Mobile in 1960 and at the presidential inauguration in 1961 in Washington, D.C., as the official Louisiana band representative.

Publications at Neville began in 1921 when an issue of the Sizzler was published in the summer of that year by the 10A Rhetoric class; Harold Breard became its first regular editor. The Monroyan was founded as the Squeedunk in 1922 with Patricia Kaplan as the first editor; Mr. William R. Wunsch was the founder of both publications; he was a graduate of Monroe City High and a member of the faculty. In 1932 the Neville Photographic Shop was established by Mr. William Spight, science instructor and longtime sponsor of the Monroyan. The name Monroyan replaced the old name, Squeedunk; Mr. Spight was responsible for the name change in 1932. He states that it was done because of the name change of the school from Monroe to Neville and because the yearbook title, Squeedunk, was awkward and unmeaningful. The yearbook has been published with regularity except the years of World War II. The Tower, a student handbook, was founded in 1931 and has been published irregularly. The Sizzler has been published with spasmodic schedules, appearing in many different

formats, sizes and policies. In 1949 Mr. Leon L. Marx organized all publications at Neville into one unit, the Neville Publications Department and reorganized the photo shop. However, in 1956 Mr. Sammy R. Danna became Sizzler sponsor and public relations director and Mr. Marx remained as Monroyan sponsor. Mr. Danna took over as head of the department plus heading the newly formed printing shop in 1959.

Neville became the first high school in the state to have a comprehensive, fully equipped printing shop. This is but one of the many firsts in the school history. By using the printing facilities at Neville the school system has saved much money on printing costs. Students have gained much valuable experience from working in the department. Many various items have been produced in the department besides the Sizzler such as the football programs, various activity programs, office forms, and the like.

Mayor-Pres. School Board from 1896 to 1948 include:

A. J. Herring 1896-1898 (May 4, 1896, Mayor-President system went into effect)

A. A. Forsythe 1898-1914

C. A. Downey 1914-1915

H. D. Apgar 1915-1919

A. Bernstein 1919-1937

H. H. Benoit 1937-1948 (End of Mayor-President system 1948)

W. F. Taylor 1948-1952 (First non-Mayor-President since 1896)

T. H. Scott 1952-1960

J. H. Scogin 1960

The following are superintendents of the Monroe City School System since the creation of the position.

1880-1889, Franklin Garrett (1880-85, School board Chairman, called superintendent in 1885)

1889-1890, F. W. Blees

1890-1894, D. M. Sholars (under City-Parish School merger)

1894-95, R. R. Bentley

1895-1898, W. C. Garnett

1898-1903, D. B. Showalter

1903-1904, E. I. Kearsing

1904-1910, George W. Reid

1910-1948, E. L. Neville

1948-1952, J. M. Boyet

1952- Van D. Odom

The following are the principals of the City High School since 1885, including the grammar school principals, from 1880-1885.

1880-81, John Saunders, boys

Lydia Bordon, girls

1881-83, R. A. Smith, boys

M. J. Evans, girls

1883-86, J. W. Johnston, boys (Belle Connor, Asst.) (High School added Fall of 1885)

M. J. Evans, girls (Mattie Bynum, Asst.)

1886-88, W. R. Harnish, boys

M. J. Evans, girls

1888-90, Prof. F. W. Blees, First co-educational school year, 1888-89 (also supt.)

1890-91, Harry Ransom

1891-93, J. E. Kenney (later president of Louisiana Polytechnic Institute) C. E. Byrd, Assistant Principal (Man for whom Byrd High School of Shreveport was named)

1893-94, J. McClellentick

1894-95, R. R. Bentley (also supt.)

1895-96, W. C. Garnett (also supt.)

1896-1901, E. M. Wollank

1901-02, E. L. Neville (Acting, considered assistant, only)

1902-10, E. L. Neville (full principal)

1910-11, R. L. Harris

1911-12, W. Hopkins

1912-14, Leon DeHoff

1914-15, W. M. Shaws

1915-31, Mrs. Minnie Ruffin

1931-36, Dr. Charles E. Kenny

1936-37, Mr. Paul J. Neal, Acting Principal

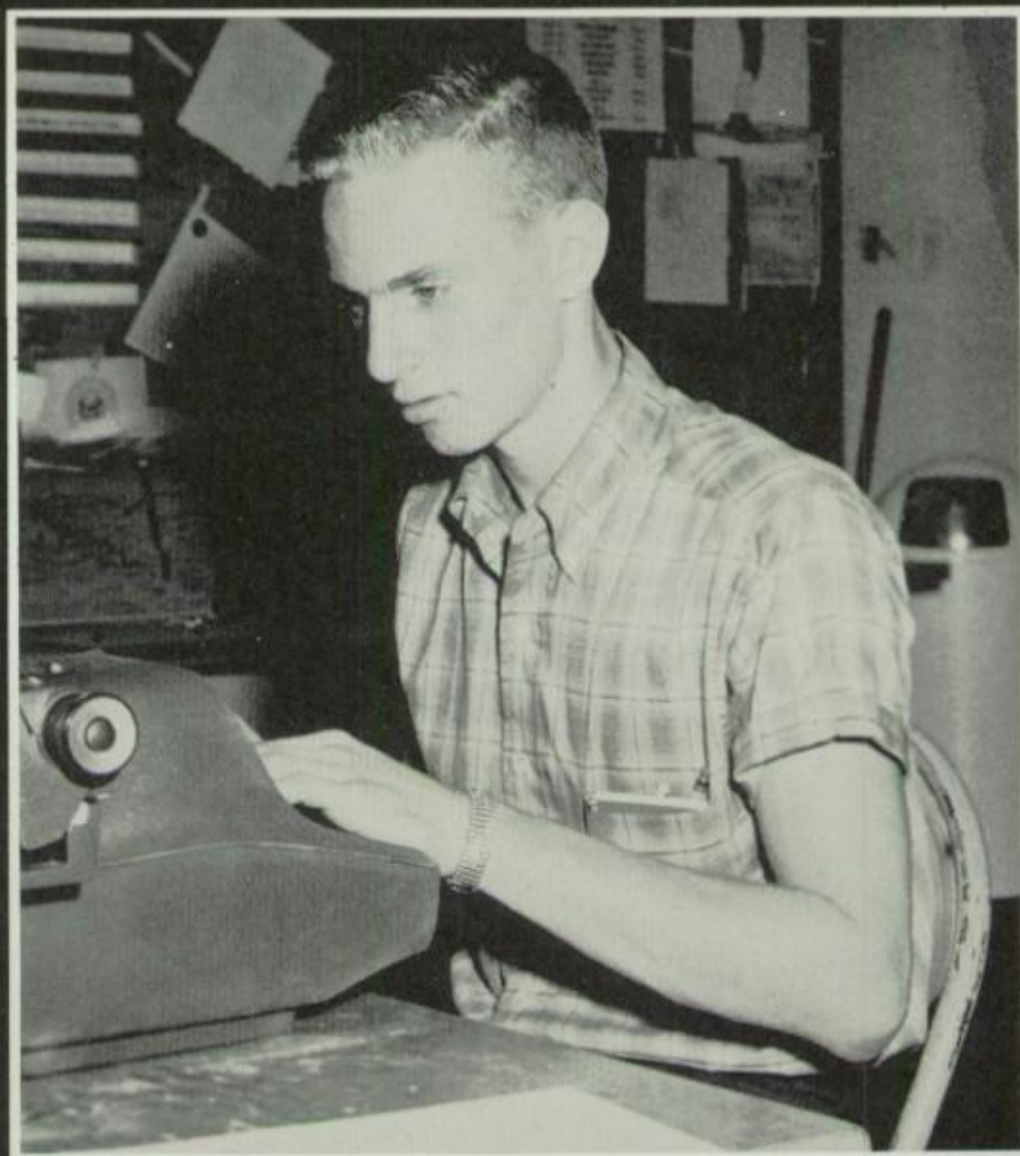
1937-58, Mr. Paul J. Neal (full principal)

1958, Mr. Sidney A. Seegers

Neville Assistant principalships began in 1949 with Mr. George Riser's serving as the first assistant principal. He was followed by Mr. A. E. Culpepper who presently holds the office.

Elementary school principalships began with the first separate elementary schools, apart from the Monroe Grammar School, housed in the old high school building when Barkdull Faulk and Georgia Tucker first opened their respective doors in 1921. The Barkdull Faulk principals are as follows: Miss Julia Wassman, 1921-1949, and Miss Mary Coker, 1949. Georgia Tucker principals have been Mrs. Jesse Goldman Weil, 1921-22 (acting); Miss Myrtle Rodgers, 1922-1952, and Mrs. Mabel Lippmann, 1952—Lida Benton principals are as follows: Miss Madie Moore, 1927-1947; Mr. F. K. Golson, 1947-1958, and Mrs. LeVerne Riddle, 1958—. Central Grammar Principals have been Miss Katie Key, 1931-1949; Mr. Elgin Boggs, 1949-1953; Mr. George Riser, 1953-1957 (School closed for good, 1957, end of Spring semester). Sherrouse School, Mrs. W. S. Vincent, 1930—. Lexington School, Mrs. Rosabelle McDonald, 1952—. Plum Street School, Mrs. Eloise Cann, 1952—. Junior High School principalships came into being in 1957 when the city junior high school system began; they are Lee Junior High School (formerly North Monroe, 1957-58), Mr. Sidney A. Seegers, 1957-58; Mr. George Riser, 1958—. Jefferson Junior High School (formerly South Monroe, 1957-58), Mr. George Riser, 1957-1958; Mr. Gus Petterson, 1958—. The position of assistant Superintendent began with the 1959-60 school year with Mr. Frank Francis as first Assistant Superintendent. The Monroe City School System had a visiting teacher from 1928-1935 in the person of Dorothy Russell; and was many years before the state visiting teacher law, act 239 of 1944 came into being. However, when the first VT left the city school system there was no visiting teacher, until 1945 when Miss Eleona Brinsmaid assumed the position she still holds to date. Miss Marjorie Oliver was the system's first supervisor of white and colored elementary schools from 1936-1948, and from 1948-1957 she also was supervisor of high schools as well and in 1957-58 she was supervisor of elementary and high school of white children only, and from 1958 to date she has been supervisor of white elementary schools only. Mr. George Riser was supervisor of colored elementary and high schools from 1955-1957; Mr. Frank Francis was colored supervisor from 1957-58, high and elementary school, and colored elementary school from 1958 to date; Mr. Paul J. Neal became white and colored junior-senior high school supervisor in 1958 and also director of testing in 1958 and holds that position to date.





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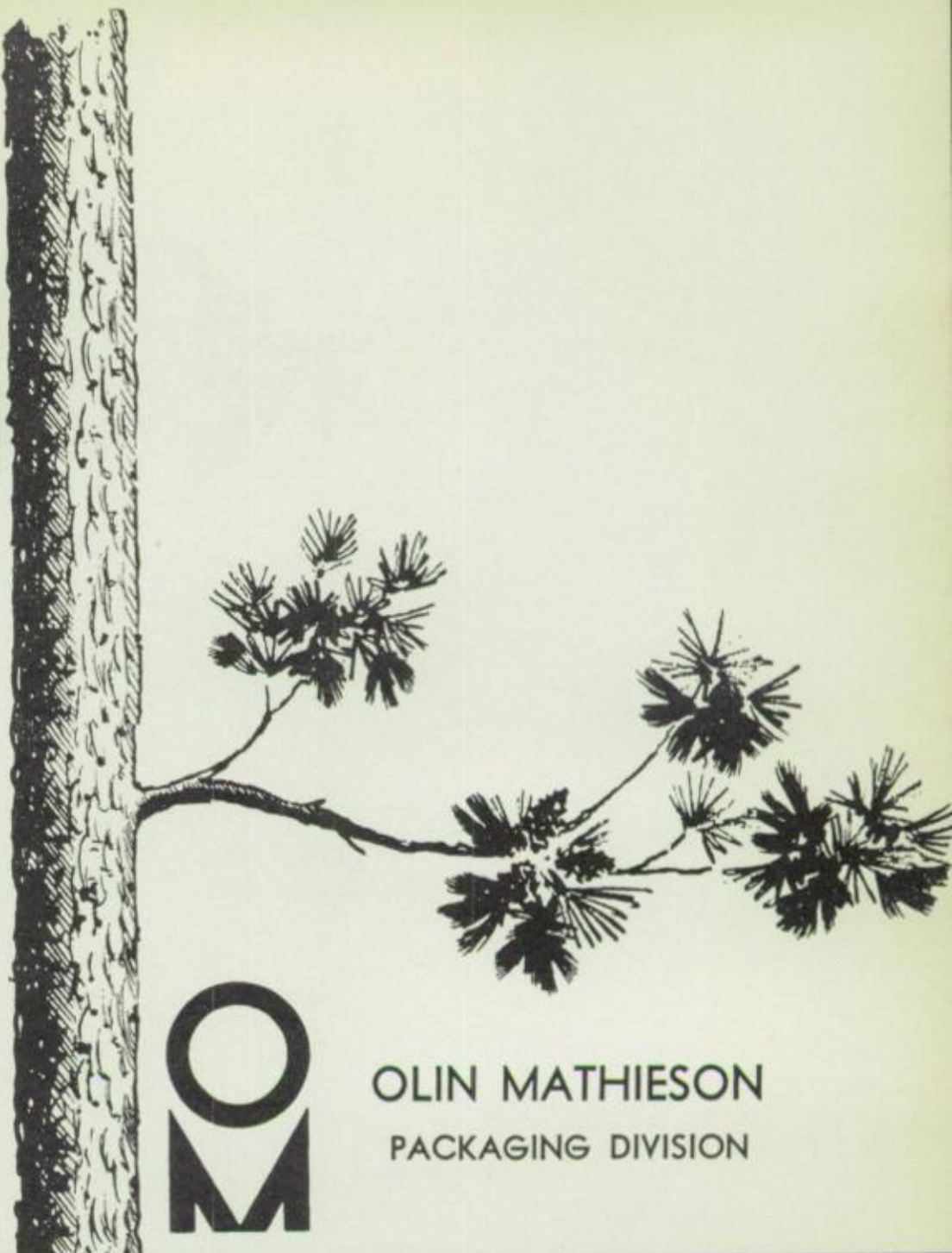
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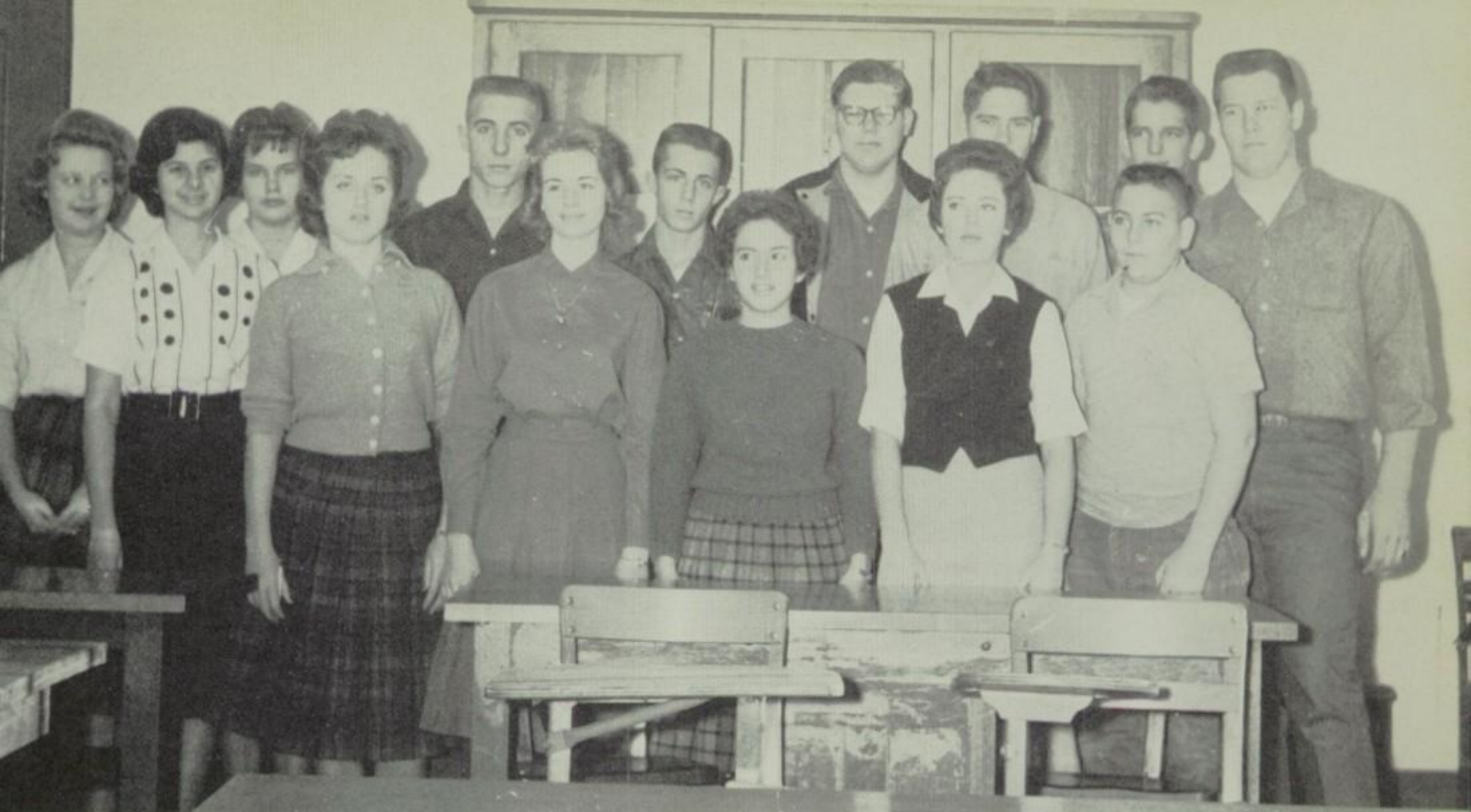
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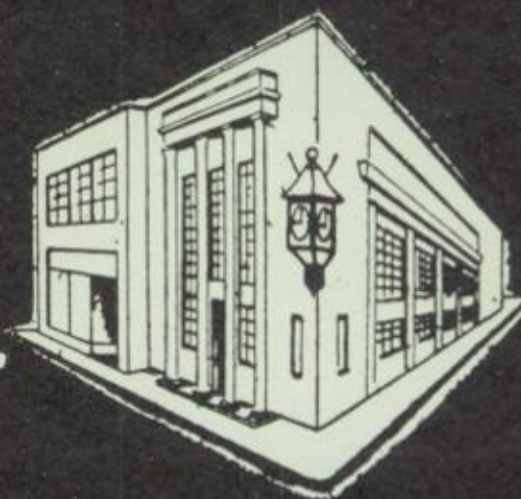
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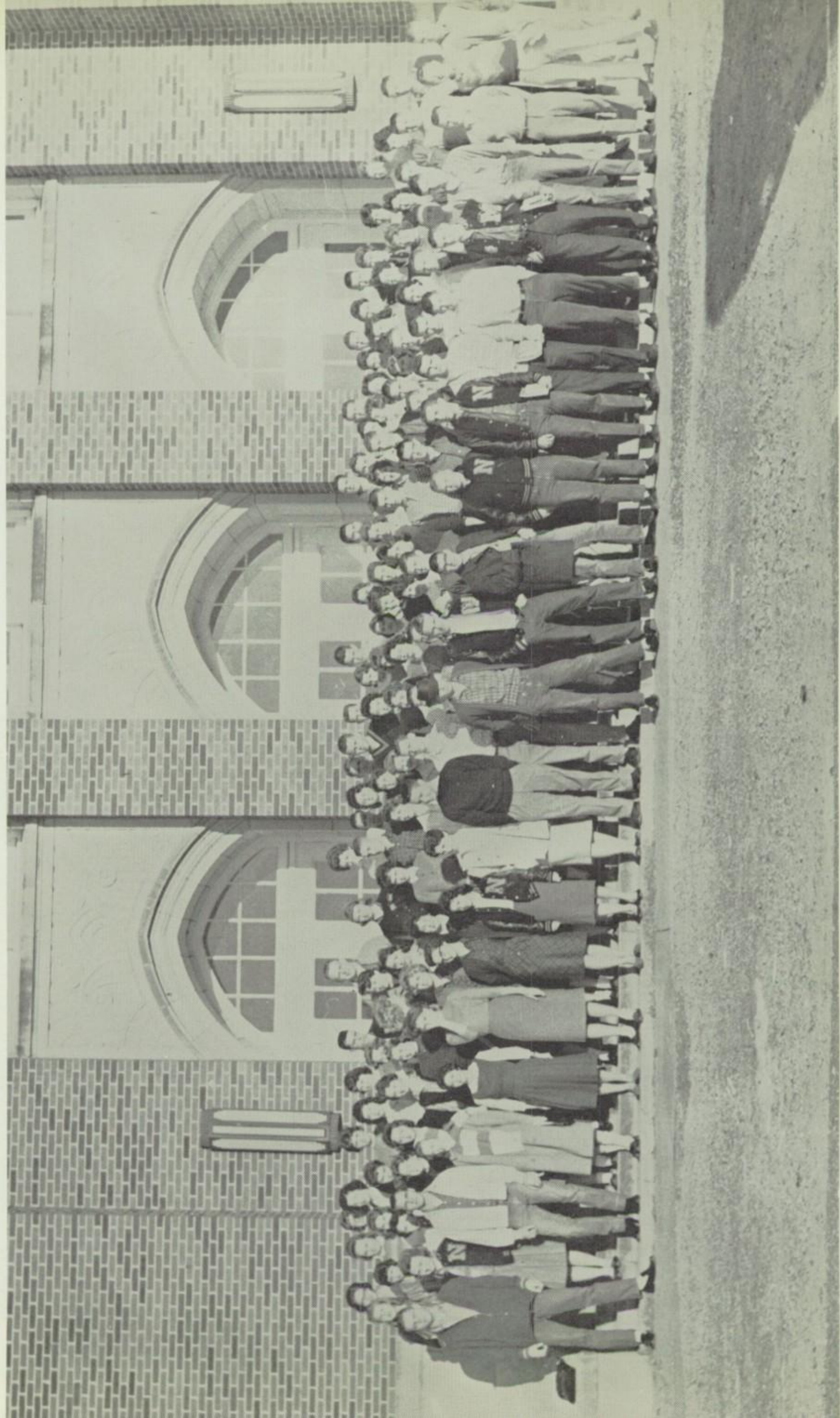
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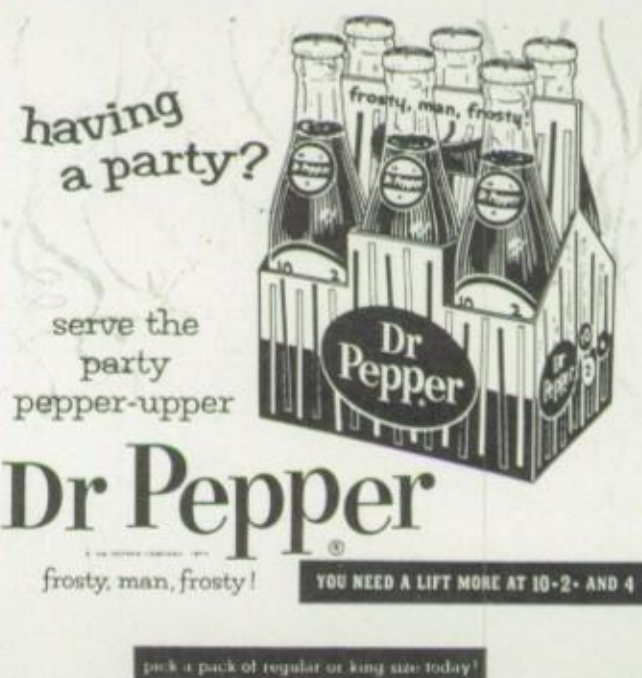
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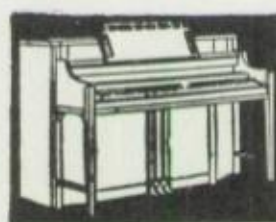
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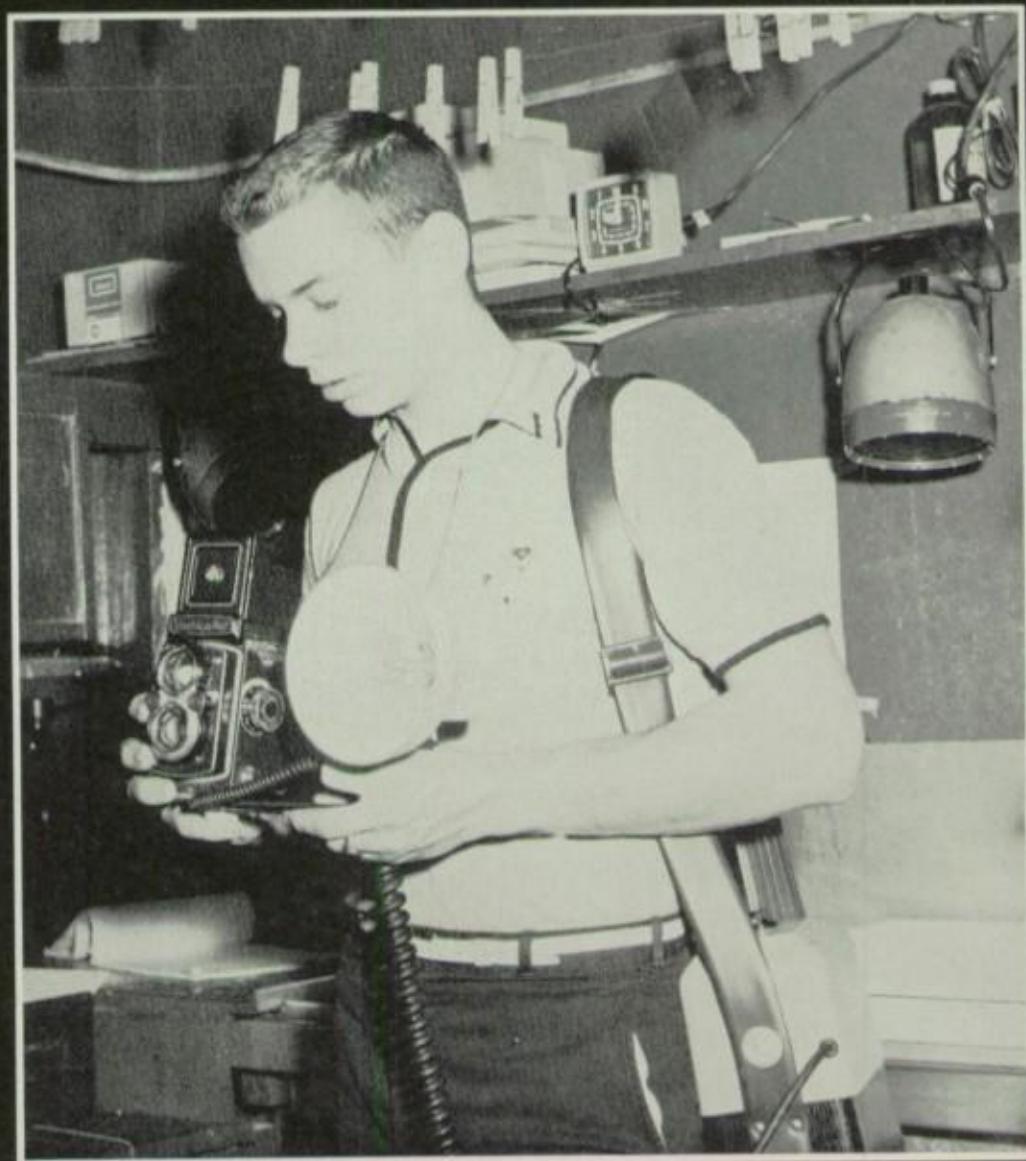
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## **Chapter X**



**Written and Edited  
by the Entire  
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# CONCLUSION



# THE MONROYAN



## **Representing the Faculty — Administration, Mrs. Alf Reid, Retiring at the End of This School Year**

This section of the yearbook contained Faculty, Administrative and Staff pictures; the faculty photos were larger than any of previous Monroyan years. The section was placed near the beginning of the book, rather than its usual place near the end of the annual, in order to place greater emphasis on the faculty importance.

## **Representing the General Activities**

This division contains all of the pictures and writeups of both academic and vocational courses of the school (at least representatives of them). Also contained in this section are assembly programs, special school services and the like. The special, relatively extensive writeups which appear in the General Activities division are just another feature which is exclusive this year.





# N RETROSPECT

## **Representing the Organizations — Clubs, the Neville Band, Marching for the President at Washington**

The Organization-Clubs section also underwent extensive revision in this year's annual. The primary revision consisted of an addition of historical material concerning each club or organization, plus the founding or establishment dates of each.



## **Advanced Physics Students at Work**

Advanced Physics is but one of the many courses described in the General Activities Section. Actually, when it gets right down to it, this division could possibly be considered a catch all or sort of miscellaneous section. Something of this sort really helps to round out the yearbook, making it comprehensive.

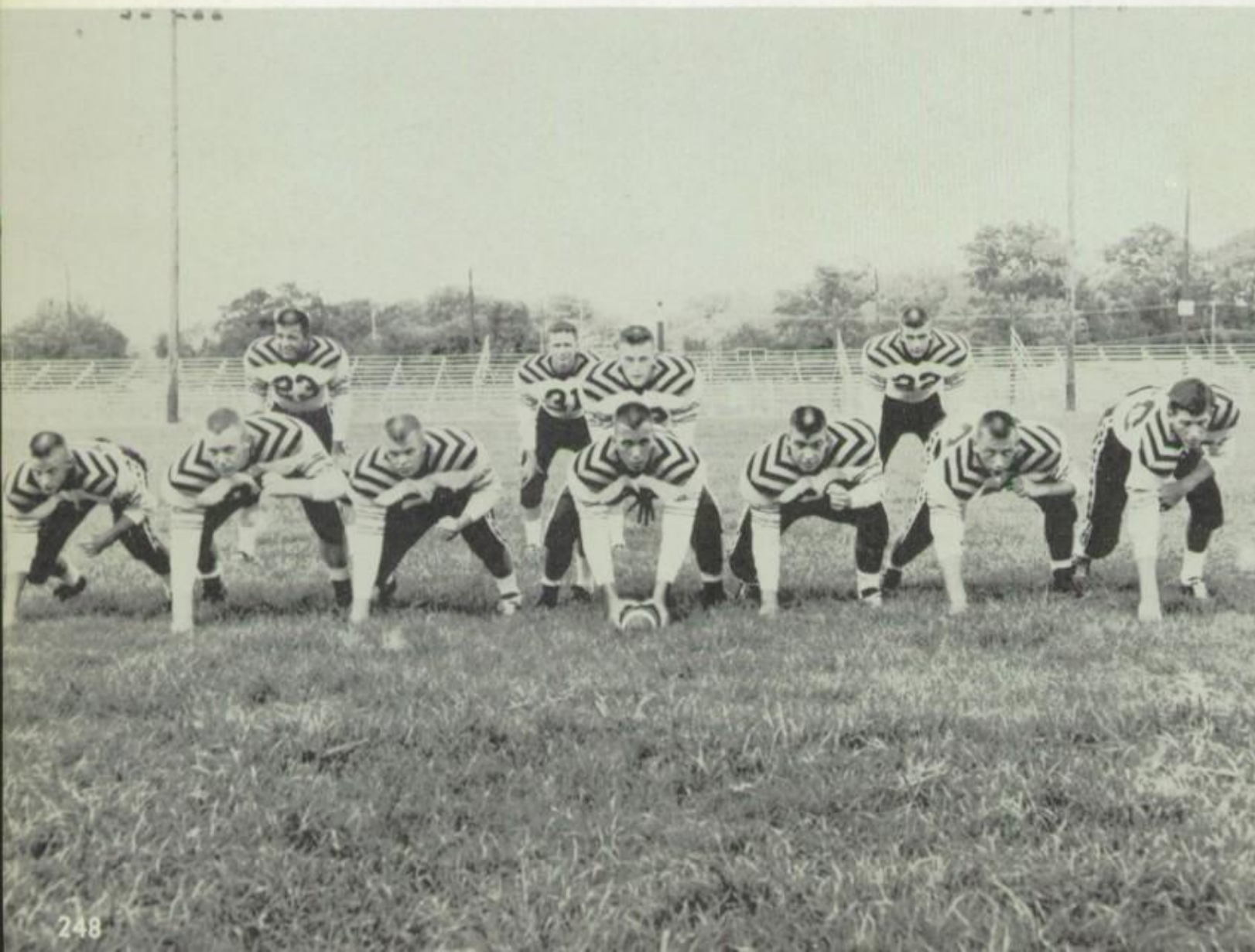


## **Representing the Features, Brenda Cobb and Neal Gunn Most Athletic**

This is the largest Feature Section in the history of the Monroan. More area was allowed for individual pictures than was done so in last year's book. Two distinctly new features were added, the Who's Who sections for academic and vocational work and that for extracurricular activities, and also that of Mr. and Miss Monroan. All in all the editors hope that this section is comparable to any present in other high school yearbooks the size of the Monroan.



## **Representing the Athletics, is the First Offensive Football Team**



Again, this year, extensive writeups concerning each football game appeared in the grid division of the Athletic Section. Homecoming was well represented, along with rather extensive writeups. The pictures of the Neville movie photographer and those who broadcast the Neville grid encounters over KLIC also appeared. The basketball section featured action shots of games, plus individual shots of each boy and girl player. Again this year all spring sports will appear in the Spring Section of the succeeding yearbook because the early deadline of this book makes it impossible to obtain photos and information at such an early date.





## **Representing the Spring Activities, Kay Snellings and Bill Becton in the Pool**

This is also the largest and most comprehensive Spring Activities Section in the History of the Monroyan. It contained all of the spring sports, covered quite comprehensively, various club activities, commencement pictures, plus coverage of events outside the sphere of the school such as recreation on the river and in local swimming pools. Truly, the Spring Section has kept pace with the greatly improved divisions of the entire Monroyan.

## **Representing the Classes, the Junior Class Officers**

The Class Section Editors made every effort to obtain the pictures of every student possible for this section. If a Student's picture failed to appear in this yearbook it was because he had none taken or else it did not come into the hands of the editors. A special page was added to the Senior Class division, showing more individual Senior Class work.



Chapter VIII is a new division of the yearbook, History; this section contains the most comprehensive and authentic history of the Monroe City School System ever assembled for any previous publication; this information should prove to be a valuable record for posterity.

Chapter IX, Ads-Pictorial has also increased in size with more ads obtained this year than during the past seven previous years. Also, since there were more 100% homerooms in annual sales this year, more pictures were available to add interest to this section.

Chapter X is also a new one in Monroyan history; it is the Conclusion section which has attempted to summarize the features of the entire book and give some background information, both editorial and technical, about the creation of each section of the Monroyan. It was felt that something of this nature should be tried; if it proves successful, it will again be featured in next year's Monroyan. The two FINIS pages after chapter X are also new for the Monroyan since nothing quite like them has ever appeared in a Neville annual.



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***“Parting is such***



NIS



**sweet sorrow”**



# Autographs

To a great all-around 5%er.  
You are destined to be a real  
swell guy.

Kurt

It has been  
great knowing in  
you and missing all  
your classes. All  
the luck in the  
world.  
Jeansie Rawan  
"12X"

To the most defendable  
swimmer on the team.  
Best of luck and best of  
everything all through  
life.

Don  
Clavidge

Boards of  
luck to a real  
friend. Don't  
forget geometry  
class. I know  
you can't!!

15X

Herbie,  
I have really been great  
knowing you in my speech  
class! You are a real first  
gilled with fun and I'm  
so glad that I got to know  
you better this year. I hope  
that next ~~year~~ year you'll  
have lots of fun. And Herbie -  
go easy on those curse words!

Sharon Ann

"12X"  
"15X"

To a real sweet  
boy and great  
kisser. Best  
of luck always. Maybe  
you'll find a "honey"  
too.

Cherry  
15X



Herbie-

You a fine person. It has been  
great knowing you this year. I  
think you great - Don't ever  
forget me & keep Neville on  
top - [Keep an eye on Ray  
next year] Always remember  
our trip - what a blast - if  
it hadn't been for that ~~we~~ wouldn't  
have ever been  
so close, such  
good friends!

Love ya  
Charlotte  
"61"

Remember,  
you're a  
great  
and  
fun  
guy  
lots  
to  
be  
with  
same 'way' lots,  
happy

Best of luck  
to a great  
guy. Remember  
the times we've  
had in English.  
Be good -  
Doris

Herbie -  
You're a  
wonderful person full  
of fun. Lots of luck with  
the girls. Be good  
Don't  
forget



Herbie -

- I really don't know how to start. I want you know how much your friendship has meant to me. There have been many times that talking to you has helped me a great deal. Please do me a few favors.
- ① You have two of the most wonderful years in store for you. Make the most of them.
  - ② When I say make the most of them - use your head. When you get through don't have anything that you aren't proud of.
  - ③ Behave yourself.
  - ④ Please remember me and let's keep in touch next year.

With love,  
Janne

Best wishes to a real  
sweet and cute boy.

I wish you all the  
success at Nevada and  
may God bless you  
always. Please Be  
good and do what  
is right - Love you  
Deanne S.

good luck to  
a great guy.  
Mike  
Fetting



Herbie -

4/3/61

To a real swell guy I will always remember with fond memories (you better be glad). It was fun in English this year - hope we will always be together - We have been for many, many years. Remember the past years? I do!!

Here's wishin' you the best always and luck in the new 5%ers - if you think you can be as great as the "old ones"! Speaking of 5%ers I heard from mine again!

Hope we will always be good friends as we have been - Remember the many "Polly-troubles" Call me anytime you need help - I'm sure I will if you don't I will! My fondest dream is to be a 5% sweetheart I only made it once. See you next year - I hope!

Love Always!  
"Annie"  
NEX  
"Frosty"

Herbie -

I don't know what to say. I have had loads of fun with you. I hope we have much more. Always see as sweet as you are now. Be sure and don't let the "bug" get you. Remember me always,  
Carol  
NEX  
1/2



4/3/61

Herb,

Inom way back there we have  
memorup. I guess you'd like to forget  
them. Wade really put you some  
competition up. Of course Ann did  
her share of the work. I sure hope  
you're happy in the 570s. I don't think  
you'll replace the old ones. Well best  
to you in your girlfriends. I sure hope  
you find a mate. I think you've lost  
might not having a love one.

Best of luck and may God bless you  
Always.

Love Always,

Jim  
146



Ad infernas cum  
Hube et eius cigarettos.  
Steve.

Herb,  
your crazy but  
a like you - I've enjoyed  
being in school with you -  
lots of luck  
Barbara  
A.B.

Take  
Best of luck to a real  
good friend and man you  
be successful in everything  
you ever do.  
"See - See"

Herb,

You're a real great  
guy. I wish you the  
best of luck and lots  
of pleasure in your  
Sr. year. Love ya!

Please try to be a  
good boy, you can  
do it. Jane Brumley

DeWitt Bechitt

Herb,

Stay as sweet  
and cute as you  
are, always. Sorry,  
I can't write in a  
car.

Be sweet and  
remember me.  
Lots of Love,  
Adrian



Tube,  
At  
sure  
has  
been  
a  
pleasant  
experience  
knowing  
you.

from  
our  
friendship  
grow  
as  
you  
become  
taller -  
Don't  
get  
fat

Kenny

Herb,  
It has been great  
knowing you. I hope  
we all live to be 21.  
at the rate we are going  
I sometimes wonder!  
Love  
21.

- Herb -  
Lots of luck to a  
hell-uv-a good boy. We  
have raised a lot of kids  
together and will probably raise  
a lot more. I also wish you much  
luck with the opposite sex which are  
a vital part in our national welfare.  
Seriously, you're a good boy. See  
you next year. Cool your heels.  
Jimmy Dainm



Herb -  
You are one of the  
most loyal I know. I hope  
we will always be real good  
friends I'll never forget all the  
crazy stuff you & I did see  
the closer holiday. (Boatriders. I don't  
think I'll ever recuperate from that 440'  
to Porters that was crazy as good friends  
was fun. I hope to start years of me and  
never. I know you will always have  
many friends, cause you will always have  
personality. Luck also as  
I hope  
I hope we can go on that campaign  
sometime Habs Be good!



Best wishes —  
Mildred Mitchell

Lots of luck to direct the  
sweetest way I know —  
Tom & I both are sorry  
about the way we acted  
toward you — Be sweet  
and remember me —

Love you,  
Ann  
1884

Herb

You are one of the sweetest  
& nicest persons I know. Stay  
that way & you will always  
be respected

Love "Yea"  
Fanny Welch

Herb, you are one of  
the sweetest boys I  
know and I trust a  
lot of good for your  
future. Best of  
luck in all your  
future endeavors.  
Love,  
Mary  
1884



Eddie,  
The best of luck  
to an old but good  
friend. Let us stay  
that way. O.K.  
Be sweet  
Polly D.  
"net"

Herb,  
You're a real great  
guy and speaker. Help your friends.  
We like and stay  
Sam Corville







Herb,  
knowing  
you has been  
a joy Ha! Ha! Ha!  
no snidishy! you're  
a great guy? I may want  
always have what you want.  
Love  
you. Always,  
Ellen

Herb  
You have been a  
real sweet boy to  
know. Typing has  
been a blast! I could  
mean that two ways -  
one; that I loved all  
you people that were  
in it, two; typing itself  
wasn't as great! You  
are really sweet boy  
and I might add a cute  
little flirt, Stay sweet.  
Love  
Joyce Mullins

Herb -  
you're getting  
entirely too fat!  
Slow down! You're  
leaving me behind!  
Be good and don't  
eat too much.

Kathy  
TEX

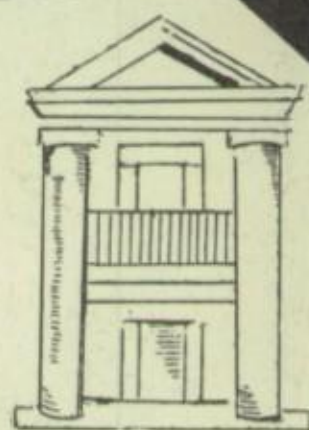
Herb -  
I have really  
enjoyed knowing  
you this year.  
Remember that  
deer ole hayride.  
Best of luck in  
all you do.

Paula  
TEX









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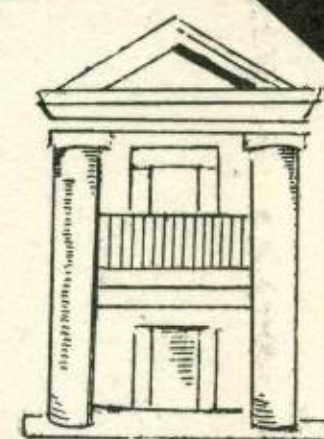


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